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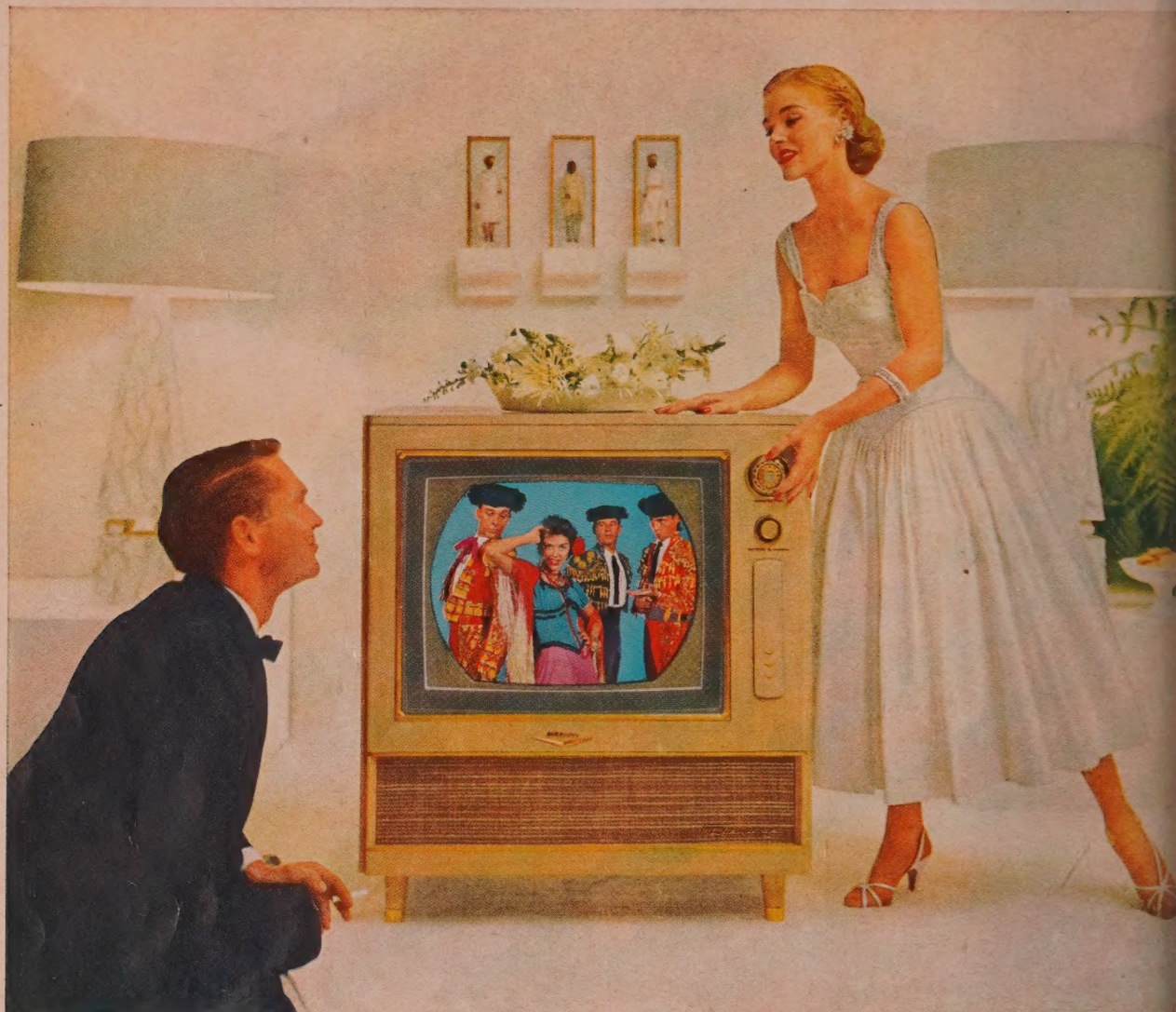


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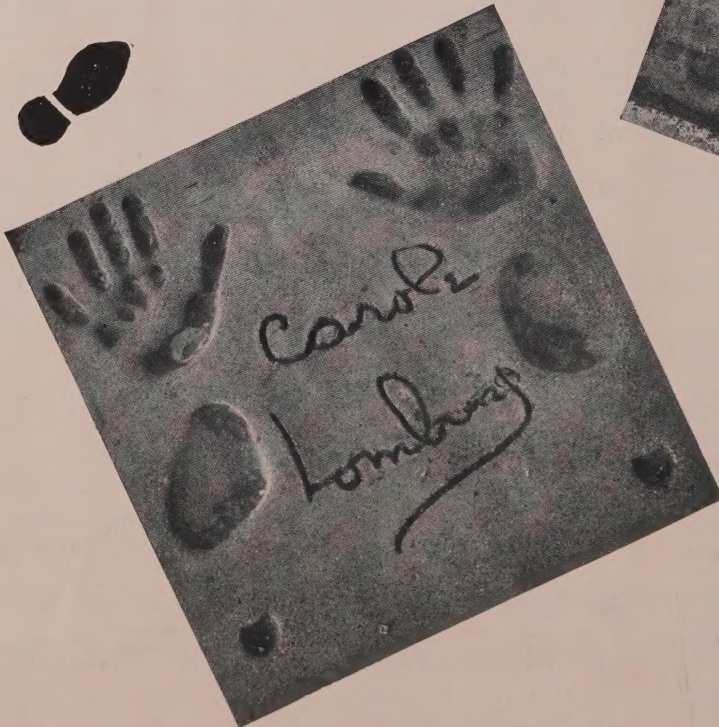
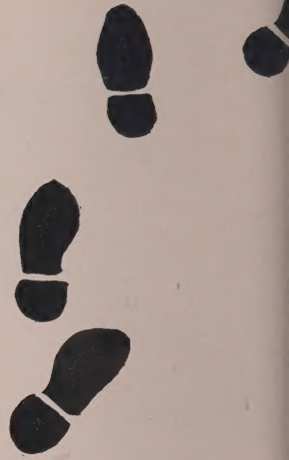
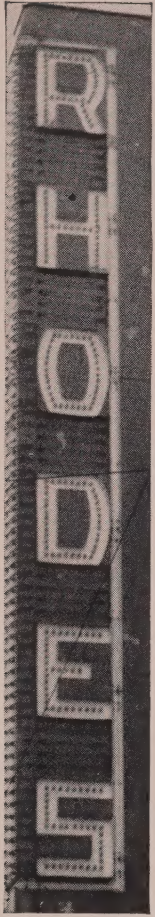
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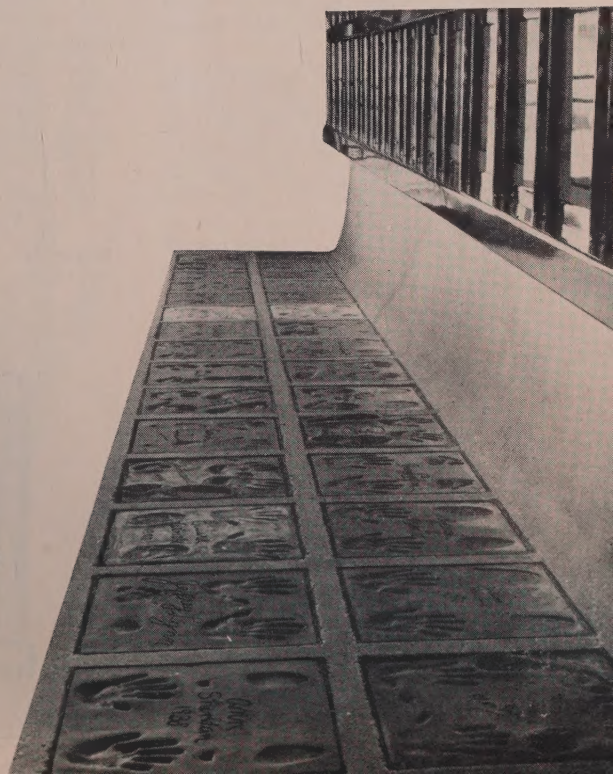
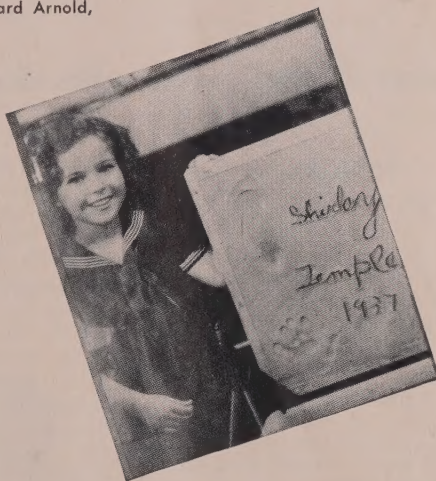
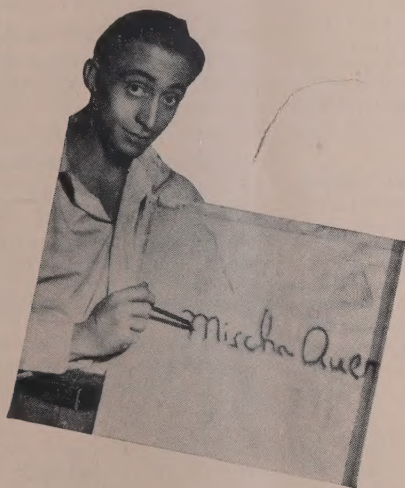
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Grauman's Chinese on 79th Street

When the Warner theater chain opened the Rhodes on east 79th street in 1937, one of the executives decided the occasion ought not to be "just another theater opening." To that end he arranged installation of what the owners believe is the only exhibit of stars' foot and hand prints other than the highly publicized one in Hollywood. It is a long, narrow display on one side of the outer lobby, consisting of 30 casts in two equal rows along the floor, with pictures of the actors placed in corresponding positions on the wall above. The prints were made in wax and shipped here, but all of the stars thus immortalized visited the theater within a few months; several who were in South Bend making a picture about Knute Rockne attended the actual opening. No attempt has ever been made to expand the exhibit beyond its original tenants. Carole Lombard was killed in a plane crash five years after the theater opened, and most of the other stars are still active 19 years later. Those represented, besides the three pictured here, are Henry Fonda, Kathryn Grayson, Pat O'Brien, Donald Crisp, George Raft, John Garfield, George Dunne, Frederic March, Dick Powell, Joan Blondell, Brenda Marshall, Greer Garson, James Cagney, Humphrey Bogart, Jeffrey Lynn, Olivia De Havilland, Errol Flynn, Bette Davis, Paul Muni, Charles G. Robinson, Betty Hutton, Gary Cooper, Paul Henreid, George Brent, Edward Arnold, Robert Montgomery, Sheridan, Wayne Morris and Alan Hale.

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WHAT GOES ON HERE



listings of local events, with emphasis on entertainment

THEATER

Inherit the Wind, Blackstone, 60 e. Balbo (CE 6-8240). Darwin, the Bible and Clarence Darrow in this serious drama based on the 1925 Scopes trial. A cast that includes Melvyn Douglas, James Westerfield, William Woodson and many local actors in the non-verbal roles. Nightly 8:30, except Sun., 7; mat. Wed. & Sat., 2:30.

Bad Seed, Harris, 170 n. Dearborn (CE 6-8240). A disturbing plot with dashes of homicide and heredity involving a 9-year old girl. As the mother, Nancy Kelly heads the cast in this Maxwell Anderson play based on a story by William March. Nightly, 8:30 except Sun.; mat. Wed. & Sat., 2:30.

Teahouse of the August Moon, Erlanger, 127 n. Clark (ST 2-2459). Eddie Bracken replaces Burgess Meredith, although Hugh Reilly remains, in the cast of this long-run show about democracy and Okinawa. Nightly except Sun., 8:30; mat. Wed. & Sat., 2:30.

Strip for Action, Shubert, 22 w. Monroe (CE 6-8240). Through May 15. Pre-Broadway showing of a musical adapted from a 1942 Lindsay-Crouse comedy. Nightly, 8:30 except Sun., 7; mat. Sat., 2:30.

The Lovers, Great Northern, 26 w. Jackson (CE 6-8240). Through May 7. A prior-to-Broadway production placed in medieval times with Darren McGavin, Hurd Hatfield, Joan Woodward and Bramwell Fletcher. Nightly—except Sun., 8:30; mat. Wed. & Sat., 2:30.

Cinerama Holiday, Eitel's Palace, 159 w. Randolph (AN 3-0055). The second of the wide-screened extravaganzas runs on, filling houses and parking lots. Nightly, Sun.-Thu., 8:30; Fri., 7 & 10; Sat., 7:30 & 10:30. Mat., Mon.-Thu. & Sat., 2:30; Fri., 1; Sun. 2 & 5.

Goodman Memorial theater, Monroe st. and Columbus dr. (CE 6-2337). Robert Sherwood's "Idiot's Delight," May 11 through 27. 8:30 except Mon.; Tue. & Thu., 7:30. Special mat. May 24, 2 p.m.

Northwestern university, Chicago campus, Thorne hall, Superior and Lake Shore (SU 7-4500). "On the Town," the Broadway hit about sailors loose about Broadway. May 11, 12, 8 p.m.; 13, 7 p.m.

Northwestern university, Speech building, Evanston campus (UN 4-1907, ext. 282). "The White Devil" by John Webster, May 2, 3 & 4. Sean O'Casey's "Juno and the Paycock," May 18, 19, 25 & 26, 8:30; May 20 & 27, 4 p.m.

Roosevelt university, 430 s. Michigan, 2nd floor faculty lounge (WA 2-3580). "Manhattan Tower" by Gordon Jenkins, "Everyman" and Melvin Rubicam's two one-act plays, "May Night" and "Folk Song," May 4 & 5. Free.

unov," 7:45; 25, "Aida," 8 p.m.; 26, R. letto," 2 p.m.; "Die Meistersinger Nuernberg," 7:30; 27, "Die Fledermaus," 2 p.m.; "Carmen," 8 p.m.

Hull House Opera Workshop, Hull house, 800 s. Halsted (MO 6-6005). "Madame Butterfly" (in English), May 13, 8 p.m.

Northwestern university Opera Workshop, Lutkin hall, Evanston (UN 4-1907). Mozart's "Bastien und Bastienne" and "Trouble Tahiti" by Leonard Bernstein. May 15, 8 p.m.

Roosevelt university Opera Workshop, s. Michigan, 7th floor recital hall (WA 2-3580). Menotti's "The Medium," May 10, 12 & 14, 8 p.m.

MUSIC

Allied Arts concerts, Orchestra hall (2-0566). May: 6, Leontyne Price, soprano; 3:30, Eddie Gordon, pianist, 8:30; 7, tropovich, cellist, 8:30; 18, The Weavers, folk singers, 8:30; 20, Walter Gieseking, pianist, 8:30.

Hubert Anderson, tympanist, the Vocal Ensemble of Chicago Artists Chamber Music and the Latin-American Ensemble of the American Conservatory Music, Arts Club, 109 e. Ontario (SU 7-39) May 11, 8:15.

Chicago Symphony orchestra first chamber music, woodwind players including Leonard Sklar, row, bassoon, Phil Farkas, horn and F. Still, oboe. Fullerton hall, Art Institute of Chicago, Michigan and Adams (DE 7-1768), May 8:30.

Collegiate Sinfonietta, Fullerton hall (SU 8-2680). Leopold Teraspulskey, cello, J. Hansen, piano, soloists, Dieter Kober, conductor. May 20, 4 p.m.

Community Symphony orchestra, The Music Center, hall, Lake Shore and Superior (CE 6-34)

OPERA

Metropolitan Opera, Opera house, 20 n. Wacker (FR 2-0566). May: 24, "Boris Godunov," 8 p.m.



ists: Rita Warsawska Paltz, soprano, Belle Liebling, pianist; Leon Stein, cond. 20, 3:30.

Arts Quartet, Fullerton hall. (DE 6-7080). May 2, 8:30. 1020 Art Center (MI 33), May 16 & 30, 8:30.

va Lindseth, soprano, Fullerton hall (HA 35), May 15, 8:20.

delssohn club, chorus, Fullerton hall (6-7080). May 4, 8:30.

hwestern university band, John Paynter, L. Deering Meadow, Evanston campus (4-1907). May 28, 6:45.

hwestern university Chamber orchestra, Tony Donato, cond. Cahn auditorium, Evanston (UN 4-1907), May 22, 8:15.

hwestern university Concert band, John Paynter, cond., Cahn auditorium. Evanston (4-1907). May 13, 4 p.m.

hwestern university Symphony orchestra, Herman Felber, cond., Cahn auditorium, Evanston (UN 4-1907). May 24, 8:15.

ley Preisler, soprano, Fullerton hall (6-7080). May 13, 8 p.m.

Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Roosevelt university, 430 s. Michigan, 7th floor recital hall (1-2-3580). May 16, 8:15.

ra Siegel, piano, Walfrid Kujala, flute, Y Sirucek, oboe, Joseph Longo, clarinet, Len Kotas, horn, Leland Smith, bassoon. Fullerton hall (PL 2-5319). May 6, 8:15.

nan Totenberg, violin, Mandel hall, 57th & University (MI 3-0800). May 11, 8:30.

eph Zverow, flute and Louise Parkin, soprano, Fullerton hall (CE 6-7080). May 27, 8 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS

icago region drivers school and drivers license, sports cars. Road America, Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. May 13 and 14. Begins early in the morning.

med Forces Day parade, down State fromacker to Congress. 2 p.m. Most armed services buses will hold open house all day which includes tours, special displays and lectures. May 19.

morial Day parade, May 30. Can be followed on Michigan beginning on Ontario south to 9th street.

ther's Day floral display, Garfield park, 10 n. Central Park (HA 7-5252). From May 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

erview Amusement park, 3300 n. West-wood (LA 5-2330). Opens May 16. 11:30 a.m. to midnight; rides begin at 1 p.m. Week-ends, rides close at 5 p.m., begin again at 6 p.m.

ART EXHIBITS

Art Institute, Michigan and Adams (CE 6-7080). **New**: from May 11, "Contemporary Japanese Pottery," works by six leading Japanese potters. From May 15, photographs by Margaret Bourke-White, gallery main floor. From May 17, "16th Annual Exhibition: Society for Contemporary Art,"

east wing galleries. From May 17, "Design in Scandinavia," east wing galleries. **Continuing**: a new selection of ancient Peruvian ceramics and textiles from the Gaffron collection, galleries L-4 and L-4a. **Staying Indefinitely**: full size copies of Mochican murals from Panamarca, Peru. Gunsaulus hall. **Permanent**: Thorne miniature rooms, 67 American and European miniature rooms, gallery A-12. Museum hours: Mon.-Sat., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun. & hol., noon to 5 p.m. Free, Wed., Sat., Sun. & hol., except for a few special exhibits.

Conger Metcalf, paintings. Through May 15. French posters from May 16. Main Street Book store gallery, 642 n. Michigan (SU 7-6600). Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sat. until 6 p.m.

Herb Pannier and Glenn Berry, paintings, prints, drawings and sculpture. Through May, Delta gallery, 1020 Art Center, 1020 Lake Shore dr. (DE 7-4870). Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Clive Rickabaugh, drawings. Through May. Frank Ryan Contemporary Furnishings, 1653 n. Wells (MI 2-5411). 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily; Wed. until 6 p.m.

Rudolph Seno, sculpture, Rosa Lee, paintings and photographs by Mort Shapiro. Through May, Riccardo restaurant and gallery, 437 Rush (SU 7-2874). Mon.-Fri., 11:30 a.m. to 2 a.m.

Fritz Winkler, watercolors, drawings & lithographs, to May 12. Renaissance society, University of Chicago, 1010 E. 59th (MI 3-0800, ext. 1218). Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sat. 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.



group shows

American Painters. From May 8, works by Edward Hopper, Marsden Hartley, John Sloan and Walt Kuhn. Arts Club of Chicago, 109 e. Ontario (SU 7-3997). Mon.-Sat., 9:30 to 5:30.

Association of Chicago Painters & Sculptors. Through May, Chicago galleries association, 30 s. Michigan (CE 6-9646). Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sat. until 4 p.m.

Contemporary American Paintings. Through May, Frank J. Oehlschlaeger gallery, 107 e. Oak (SU 7-6779). Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Contemporary Graphics. Through May, Palmer house galleries, shop 301, 119 s. State (FR 2-0790). Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Momentum, Midwestern artist group. From May 23, Todros Geller gallery, Board of Jewish Education, 72 e. 11th (HA 7-5570). Sun.-Thu., 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Fri., 11 a.m. to 3:30; Sat., 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

19th Century English painters. Works by Leader, Debreanski, Soulaacroix and others, and **20th Century French painters**, with works by Graw-Sala, Kontny, Orlando and others. Through May, Marshall Field galleries, south Wabash room, 2nd floor, 111 n. State (ST 1-1000, ext. 2213). Mon.-Sat., 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Studio Group. Works by Burgess Meredith, Ann Roman, Virginia Schelolomiti, Beulah Deekin and others. Through May, Mandel Brothers galleries, 8th floor, 1 n. State (ST 2-1500, ext. 892). Mon. & Thu., 9:15 to 8:30; other weekdays until 5:45.

Swedish Artists of Chicago. Through May, Swiss Chalet galleries, Bismarck hotel, 171 w. Randolph (CE 6-0123). Daily, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Young Artists from Chicago. Through May, Allan Frumkin gallery, 152 e. Superior (SU 7-0564). Mon.-Sat., 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

LECTURES

Art Institute, Michigan and Adams (CE 6-7080). **Art Through Travel**: "Italian Lakes and the Alps," Dr. Dudley Crafts Watson, **May 6 & 13**, Fullerton hall, 2:30 and 4 p.m. **Gallery Talks**. The Opening of a Vista: A Study of the Landscape in Art series: "Impressionist and Realist: Monet and Courbet," Frederick A. Sweet, **May 1**, gallery 32; "The Oriental Contribution to Western Landscape," Jack Sewell, **8**, gallery 25; "The Landscape of Cezanne, Gauguin and Van Gogh," Thomas M. Folds, **15**, gallery to be announced; "What Does Landscape Offer the Painter Today?," George D. Culler, **22**, gallery 25. Tuesdays, 11 a.m. **Now on View series**: "People," Katharine Kuh, **May 4**, gallery of art interpretation; "People," Carol Osuhowski, **11**, gallery of art interpretation; "Design in Scandinavia," George D. Culler, **18**, east wing galleries; "Design in Scandinavia," Alan Sawyer, **25**, east wing galleries. Fridays, 12:15.

Morton Arboretum, Route 53, Lisle (Downers Grove 74). **Lecture-field trip series**: "Our Spring Wild Flowers," **May 5**; "Our Forest Margins," **12**; "Our Meadows and Roadsides," **26**, 2:30 to 5:00 p.m., for adults only.

Northwestern university, Technological Institute auditorium, Sheridan at Noyes, Evanston (UN 4-1907). **Alumni Fund Series**: "The Idea of the Grotesque in Painting and



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Literature," Wolfgang Kayser, May 17, 8 p.m. Free.

University of Chicago. (MI 3-0800). **Charles R. Walgreen series:** "The Modern Presidents: Roosevelt, Truman and Eisenhower," **May 2;** "Presidency Reconsidered," Clinton Rossiter, **3.** Social Science Research building, 1126 e. 59th, 4:30. **Vivekananda Memorial lecture:** "India and America," Grayson Kirk, **May 1.** Breasted hall, 1155 e. 58th, 8:30.

University College. (DE 2-7245). **Works of the Mind series:** "The Analysis of a Lyric Poem," Norman F. Maclean, **May 18,** 8 p.m. **Architecture in Chicago series:** "Architecture in Chicago Since World War II," Richard M. Bennett, **10;** "Architecture: The Clash of Ideas," Winston Elting, **17;** "Housing for Mid-Century Chicagoans," William Keck, **24.** 19 s. LaSalle, 7 to 9 p.m.

FILMS

Art Institute. Michigan at Adams (CE 6-7080). "Festival of Films on the Arts," Club room. May 4, 8 p.m. "Children of Paradise," (English titles), Fullerton hall, May 18, 8 p.m.

University of Chicago Documentary Film Group (MI 3-0800). "Mexican Busride," **May 1,** Ida Noyes theater, 1212 e. 59th. "Tillie's Punctured Romance," with Charles Chaplin and Marie Dressler, **May 8,** Social Science building, room 122, 1129 e. 59th. 7:15 and 9:15. Tickets available at door on night of showing.

MUSEUMS

Adler planetarium, lake front near Roosevelt rd. (WA 2-1428). **May show:** "The Astronomer's Workshop." Mon.-Sat., 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.; Tue. & Fri., 8 p.m.; Sun., 2 and 3:30. Museum hours: daily, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., except Tue. & Fri., to 9:30. Free Wed., Sat. & Sun.

Chicago Academy of Sciences. 2001 n. Clark (LI 9-0606). Natural history exhibits pertaining to the area. Daily, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free.

Chicago Historical society. Clark and North (MI 2-4600). In celebration of the Society's centennial, special exhibits of Chicago in 1856 are on display in the portrait gallery, costume gallery, manuscript room and throughout the building, through May. Weekdays, 9:30 to 4:30; Sun. & hol., 12:30 to 5:30. Free weekdays.

Chicago Natural History museum. Field and Lake Shore drs. (WA 2-9410). Permanent exhibits in anthropology, botany, geology and zoology. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free Thu., Sat. & Sun.

Oriental Institute. University of Chicago. 1155 e. 58th (MI 3-0800). Historical treasures in art and culture of ancient Near East countries. Tue.-Wed., 10 a.m. to noon, 1 to 5 p.m.; Thu.-Sun., 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free.

Shedd Aquarium. lake front near Roosevelt rd. (WE 9-4681). 10,000 specimens of fish, from sharks to seahorses with an occasional lamprey. Daily, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free Thu., Sat. & Sun.

Dearborn observatory. Northwestern university, Sheridan rd., Evanston, (UN 4-1900). Open to the public every clear Fri., 7:30 to 9 p.m.

George F. Harding museum. 4853 Lake Park (KE 6-0080). Medieval armor, arms and art. Daily, 1 to 5 p.m., except Mon. & Sat.

Museum of Science and Industry. 57th and Lake Park (MU 4-1414). Interesting now that it's spring is the collection of 86 panels of hardwood from all over the world compiled to tell the story of hardwoods from tree to furniture. Scheduled to open in time for Armed Forces Day on May 19 is a special military display.

TELEVISION extravaganzas

Ford Star Jubilee (8:30 p.m. Sat. May 5, channel 2). Top talent for 90 minutes, in color.

Maurice Evans Presents (3 p.m. Sun. May 6, ch. 5). "The Cradle Song," in color.

Max Liebman Presents (8 p.m. Sat. May 12, ch. 5). Musical, "Up in Central Park" (tentative), in color.

Color Spread (6:30 p.m. Sun. May 20, ch. 5). Sunday variety, in color.

Producers' Showcase (7 p.m. Mon. May 28, ch. 5). Live high level fare, in color.

drama

Drama: Alcoa-Goodyear Playhouse (8 p.m. Sun., ch. 5), **Robert Montgomery Theater** (8:30 p.m. Mon., ch. 5), **Studio One** (9 p.m. Mon., ch. 2), **Playwrights 56-Circle Theater** (8:30 p.m. Tue., ch. 5), **Steel Hour-20th Century-Fox Hour** (9 p.m. Wed., ch. 2), **Front Row Center** (3 p.m. Sun., ch. 2), **Matinee Theater** (2 p.m. weekdays in color, ch. 5), **Famous Film Festival** (6:30 p.m. Sun., ch. 7). Impressive imports.

comedy-variety-music

Adventure (1:30 p.m. Sun., ch. 2). A museum piece proving that there is life in the old world yet.

Zoo Parade (2:30 p.m. Sun., ch. 5). Marlin Perkins surveys the lesser animals with the utmost respect.

Omnibus (4 p.m. Sun., ch. 2). Flights of fancy and fancy for higher than average brows.

Ed Sullivan Show (7 p.m. Sun., ch. 2). Rendezvous for actors, generals, and acrobats.

Jack Benny Show (6:30 p.m. alt. Sun., ch. 2). The wit that made Waukegan famous.

Norman Ross Presents (9:30 a.m. weekdays, ch. 7). Short films, some philosophy.

Voice of Firestone (7:30 p.m. Mon., ch. 7). Since 1928, good music.

Remember (10 p.m. Mon., ch. 7). Events and eras recollected, with Norman Ross. Capable version, This Is the Day (11 p.m. weekdays, ch. 7).

Disneyland (6:30 p.m. Wed., ch. 7). A one-hour slice of the Disney pie.

Person to Person (9:30 p.m. Fri., ch. 2). Ed

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Murrow follows celebrities home.

Fifth Army Show (7 p.m. alt. Sat., ch. 9). Variety in the barracks.

George Gobel Show (9 p.m. Sat., ch. 5). The careful crewcut lays them in the aisles—gently.

documentary-discussion

Wide Wide World (3 p.m. Sun. May 13 & 20, ch. 5). Live, cross-country remotes, with Dave Garroway at the helm.

Northwestern Reviewing Stand (7 p.m. alt. Sat., ch. 9). Experts fire away at burning questions.

Research File (7 p.m. Mon., ch. 11). Institute of Technology show.

Life With Baby (8 p.m. Tue., ch. 11). Lessons in civilization.

All About Money (8 p.m. Thu., ch. 11). High and low finance.

The Humanities (9:30 p.m. Thu., ch. 11). Visual liberal arts from the University of Chicago.

for children

Captain Kangaroo (8 a.m. weekdays, ch. 2). A mustachioed old marvel shares secrets.

Romper Room (11 a.m. weekdays, ch. 9). Miss Rosemary and pint-size projects.

Mickey Mouse Club (5 p.m. weekdays, ch. 7). Adventures, filmed and cartooned, real and fantastic.

Friendly Giant (6:30 p.m., M-W-F, ch. 11). Bed time for tots.

Totem Club (4:30 p.m. weekdays, ch. 11). Young teen activities.

sports

Baseball (afternoons, ch. 9). Home daytime games of the Cubs and White Sox, with Jack Brickhouse.

TOURS

American Airlines, Midway airport, 63rd and Cicero (PO 7-6200 ext. 846). Through the twin hangars, weather information section and the flight dispatch area. Appointments for groups should be made 10 days in advance. Children under 12 not admitted. Mon.-Thu., 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Baha'i Temple, Sheridan rd., Wilmette (Wilmette 9846). Public tours on weekdays include only the auditorium. Sundays tours are of the entire building and include color slides and talks. This larger tour can be arranged for groups on weekdays by contacting Mrs. D. Cooper (Wilmette 618). Weekdays, 1 to 4 p.m.; Sun., 10:30 to 5 p.m.

Board of Trade, 141 w. Jackson (WA 2-2800). Visitors observe "The Pit" where lively grain trading takes place. Public gallery, 5th floor, Mon.-Fri., 9:30 to 1:15, free. From the observation tower, topped only by Ceres, one can see the stockyards and Evanston on a clear day (WE 9-9860). Daily 9 to 6 p.m.



Chinatown and Chicago by Night. Chic Gray line (SE 8-2900). Commercial tour the foreign neighborhoods of the city. special interest are Maxwell st., Bug House square and Hull house. Tours begin at Conrad Hilton hotel. Nightly, 8:30.

Chicago Tribune. 435 n. Michigan 7-0100 ext. 715). Visitors see all the printing processes, engraving, composition and printing. Mon.-Fri., 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 8 p.m.

Ford Motor company, 12600 s. Torrance (MI 6-3100 ext. 250). Public tours of the body assembly line. Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m.

Northwestern university, Technological Institute, Sheridan rd. at Noyes, Evanston (UN 4-1900). One hour tour of the Institute begins in the lobby, Sat., 11 a.m.

Sears Roebuck company, Tues.-Fri. 9:10-4:45, 1:45, 2:15; Mon. 1:45, 2:45. Closed Saturdays. Tours begin at usher's desk at main entrance, 925 s. Homan ave. (KE 3-2500).

Jac Worth tours, (GR 7-2763). Commercial tours by bus, dinner included. Nat King Cole night life tour including dinner at South Seas and visits to the Gay Nineties, Blue Note, Starlight Mambo and the Copacabana for Nat King Cole. May 17, 6:30.

University of Chicago, (MI 3-0800). A tour of the campus begins every Sat., 10 a.m. Ida Noyes hall, 1212 e. 59th.

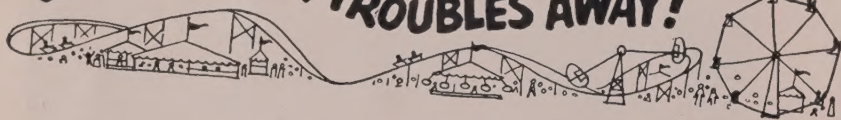
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SPORTS

baseball

Cubs, Wrigley field, Clark and Addison (BU 1-5050). **May: 1 & 2**, New York; **4 & 5**, Philadelphia; **6** (doubleheader), Pittsburgh; **8, 9 & 10**, Brooklyn; **12 & 13** (doubleheader), St. Louis; **28 & 29**, Cincinnati; **30** (doubleheader) & **31**, Milwaukee. 1:30 p.m.

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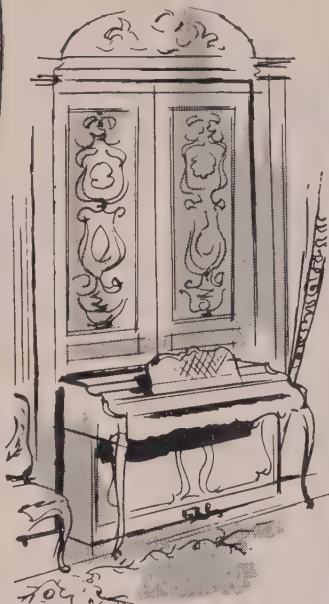
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golf

Public golf courses operated by the park district (HA 7-5252) in Lincoln (Waveland), Jackson, Columbus and Marquette parks, and by the county forest preserve district (CO 1-8400)—Caldwell, Edgebrook, Indian Boundary, Northwestern, Burnham Woods and Pipe O' Peace—through May.

harness racing

Maywood park, 8600 River rd. and North avenue, Melrose Park (MA 6-4816). Racing every night except Sun. through May. Post time, 8:30 p.m.

thoroughbred racing

Sportsman's park, 3301 Laramie, Cicero (BI 2-1121). Races every afternoon except Sun. Post time, 2 p.m. through May 12.

Balmoral at Washington park, 175th and Halsted, Homewood (HA 7-3181). Opens May 14. Post time 2 p.m. except Sat. & hol., 1:45 p.m.

FOR THE CHILDREN

theater

Children's Theater of Evanston, Haven school, Prairie at Lincoln, Evanston (UN 4-3734). "The Boy Knight of Rheims" by Eloise Lownsbury. For elementary and intermediate school children. May 4, 3 p.m.; May 5, 10 a.m. and 2:30. "The Three Little Pigs," for pre-school children. May 12 & 19, 10 a.m., 12:45 and 2:30.

Goodman Memorial Children's theater, Monroe at Columbus dr. (CE 6-2337). "Davy Crockett and His Coonskin Cap." Through May, every Sat. 2:30; Sun., 3 p.m.

Jack and Jill players. (WA 2-0317). "Twelve Angry Women." 12th floor, Kimball building, 25 e. Jackson, May 5, 6, 12 & 13. Sat., 4 p.m.; Sun., 3 p.m. "Cradle Song," 9th floor, Crown building, 218 s. Wabash, May 19, 20, 26 & 27, 3 p.m.

museums

Chicago Historical society, Clark and North (MI 2-4600). This month sees the end of the Society's centennial celebration which includes children's activities emphasizing the character of the city in 1856. **Museum mornings:** Sat., 10 a.m. **May 12, 19 & 26**, slide talk, "Tomahawk to Television: From the First Fort Dearborn to the Merchandise Mart" plus color film, "Look to the Land" and color cartoon. **Weekday assemblies:** Wed., 10 a.m. for teachers and their classes, **May 9 & 16.** "Our Heritage" and color film, "Our Constitution."

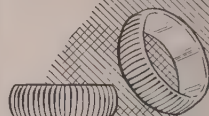
Museum of Science and Industry, 57th and Lake Park (MU 4-1414). Exciting for the little ones is the Paul Bunyan fun house on the ground floor east. Still a magnet for

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young and old is the Swift and Company's "Food for Life" exhibit which includes a see-through incubator in which children may watch chicks hatch out during the day. Little girls may be more drawn to the Gardner doll room which has a collection of 500 historic and unusual dolls and doll furniture, but the coal mine tour via dark elevator and train appeals to most all children. Mon.-Fri., 9:30 to 4 p.m.; Sat. to 5:30; Sun. & hol. to 7 p.m. Free.

ZOO'S

Brookfield. 1st ave. and 31st, Brookfield (BI 2-2630). This huge 135-acre zoo shows animals in surroundings resembling their natural habitats; has picnic areas; and, opening May 12, a **Children's Zoo and Farm**, where small animals may be petted and occasionally fed by visiting youngsters. Main zoo free Thu., Sat., Sun. & hol.

Hawthorn-Melody farm & Children's zoo. U.S. 21, 3 mi. s. of Libertyville (LI 2-2025). The zoo has a variety of animals which always appeal to small children, with a Noah's Ark, a miniature mountain for goats and a lagoon with domestic and wild fowl. In the milking parlor, youngsters may watch modern methods of milking. Mon.-Fri., 10:30 to 5 p.m.; Sun. to 6 p.m. Free Mon.-Fri.

Lincoln Park. 2200 n. in Lincoln park (LI 9-3009). Young born to some animals during the winter are now on view. Among the zoo's collection of 2,500 animals, the gorillas, orangutangs and chimps are perennial favorites, and the 4 o'clock feeding of the lions always attracts a sizeable crowd. Mon. excluded. **Zoo-rookery** (at Fullerton) is a restful rock garden with a water pond abundant with animals to be photographed or just watched. Open daily, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Indian Boundary Park. 2500 Lunt av. A small zoo with bear, deer, smaller animals and birds. Free, open daily.

parks

fishing

Small children can catch small fish, from sunrise to dark, in park district lagoons through May. Fishing is permitted from banks of lagoons, but not from boats, piers or bridges. Bait is recommended but not required. Lagoons are in the following parks: Jackson, Washington, Sherman, Columbus, Douglas, Garfield, Humboldt, Marquette, McKinley and Lincoln. Children under 16 need no license.

tennis schools

All parks with facilities conduct tennis schools for beginners from May through July. For hours, dates, age classifications and nearest location consult the main office of the park district (HA 7-5252).

sailing

Junior sailing enthusiasts, 14 to 18, may join the park district's Rainbow fleet, a group which holds its maneuvers in ten-foot sailing dinghies in the north end of Burnham park lagoon. Applicants must be able to swim 200 yards. Week-end sailing from

mid-May until schools close; daily thereafter until Labor Day. Free. (HA 7-5 ext. 422.)

NIGHT LIFE

Blue Angel. 801 Rush (SU 7-5060). "Caly Caravan" is the attraction this month, featuring the music of John McCleverty, vocals by Luis Torrens and dancing Marianne. Continuous gypsy music in Opera Club adjoining. 5 p.m. to 4 a.m. shows 9:30, midnight & 2 a.m. Dinner \$2.50.

Boulevard room. Conrad Hilton hotel, 720 Michigan (WA 2-4400). Through May Jerry Bergman and Mimi, pantomimists, continue in the ice show "Icearama," as skaters Helga Neff, Peter Voss, Shir Linde, Michael Meehan (contortionist), Don Park (unicyclist), Boy Foy, the Tune Tattlers, the Boulevard-Deers and the Boulevard-Dancers. Music is by Frankie Masters and orchestra. Open from 6:30 p.m.; shows 8:30 & midnight; Sun. mat., 4 p.m. Dinner from \$3 \$2 cover.

The Buttery. Ambassador West hotel, 3101 and Goethe (SU 7-7200). Quiet and alight with dancing to restrained Afro-Cuban music by Romeo and orchestra. Noon to 2 a.m.; dancing from 9. Flaming sword dinner \$5.50-\$9.50; other food a la carte. min. Fri. & Sat.

Camellia house. Drake hotel, Lake Shore and Michigan (SU 7-2200). French cuisine and Dick Barlow's music. Noon to 3 p.m. 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Lunch \$1.75-\$2.50; dinner \$5-\$7.



Chez Paree. 610 Fairbanks (DE 7-3434). Starting May 10 is the ever-cool Nat "Kin Cole. 6 p.m. to 4 a.m.; shows 8:30 and midnight; late shows Fri. & Sat., 2 a.m. Dinner \$3.50-\$4.75; \$5.75 special includes coffee and minimum, 7-course dinner, after dinner liqueur, show, dancing and Jack Egan.

College Inn Porterhouse. Sherman hotel, Randolph and Clark (FR 2-2100). Dining in western style; music is by Frank York, who has a fiddle and orchestra. Noon to 1 a.m. Sat. to 2 a.m. Lunch \$1.65-\$1.95; dinner \$4.50-\$7.

Compass. at the Dock, 5743 Lake Park (LI 4-2800). Ad lib drama on topical scenarios is done by quick-witted entertainers. Regular shows are followed by improvisation on stories suggested by the audience. Shows at 8:30 weeknights; 9:15 weekends. Folk singing on Tue. Open until 2 a.m.

min. Fri., Sat. & Sun. Closed Mon.

the room, Palmer house, State and
be (RA 6-7500). Through May 16,
y Puleo's harmonica gang is in the
ght along with the singing of Betty
gan and the team-dancing of Francois
r and Patti. From May 17, the French
euse, Patachou takes over together
the dancers called "Trio Capriccio
gnol" and accordionist Tony Lovello.
is by Charlie Fisk and orchestra, vo-
by Lee Charnel. 6 p.m. to 2 a.m.;
s 8:30 & midnight. Dinner from \$4.
over.

es Hat, Congress hotel, 500 s. Michigan
7-3800). Big city dining, with dancing
e steady two-beat of Wayne Muir's
ss Hatters." 5 p.m. to 2 a.m. Dancing
9 p.m. Dinner from \$3.50.

room, Ambassador East hotel, State
Goethe (SU 7-7200). Elegant hang-out
celebrities and celebrity watchers. David
Winter's orchestra plays danceable music.
to 2 a.m. Flaming sword dinner \$5.50-
; other food a la carte. \$3.50 min. Fri.
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ss Chalet, Bismarck hotel, 171 Randolph
5-0123). Endre Ocskay's orchestra and
he decor where even the bartenders
Swiss. Noon to 1 a.m. Lunch \$1.25-\$3;
r \$3.50-\$6.

jazz

Beehive, 1503 e. 55th (PL 2-9060). The
d daddy of the tenor sax, Lester Young,
re this month. 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. Jam
ions by local musicians Mon.; closed
l. Parking in rear.

Note, 3 n. Clark (DE 2-2247). To May
horthy Rogers. Thereafter George Shear-
at the piano until Count Basie and the
ntly hottest of hot orks replaces him
23. 9:30 p.m. to 3:30 a.m.; Sun. mat.
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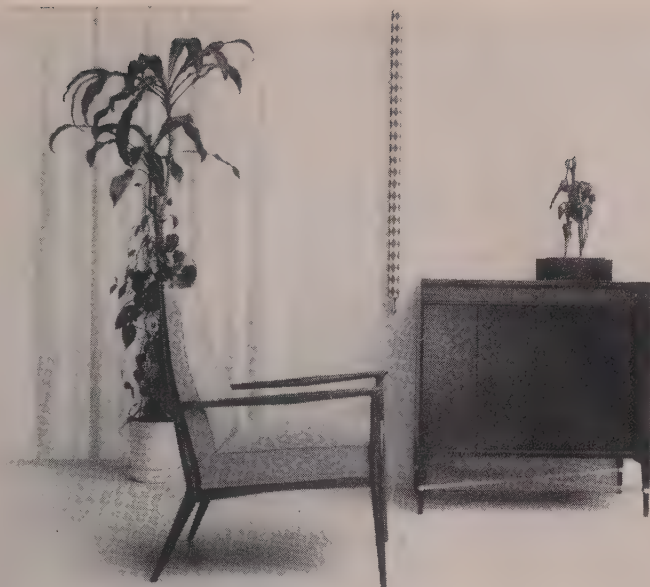
ster inn, Maryland hotel, 900 Rush
7-4568). The Pat Moran group remains,
bf course does Lurlene Hunter, the lady
b never sings a bad tune. On Mon. and
t Dick Marx and Johnny Frigo play
ago light-green jazz. 10 p.m. to 4 a.m.
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Susan Brown (at right), who plays Rachel in the current hit "Inherit the Wind," was a recent guest at Fanny's restaurant in Evanston. With her were (l. to r.) Mrs. Gordon Read, Mrs. George B. Wendt, Mrs. Philip Egan and Maxine Stetson. (Photo by Dr. Alvin Keith)

FANNY'S COLUMN

Written by Fanny Lazzar

CHIT CHAT ABOUT THIS AND THAT . . . AFTER FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT OF OUR luncheon service appeared we received so many reservations for large parties numbering from twenty-five to eighty that I saw the necessity of immediately acquiring the services of another chef for the luncheon trade. . . . Through the Epicurean Society I have found a chef . . . the equal of which there is not one in the entire middle west (and with the exception of CHAMBORD'S and LePavillon in New York) I have doubts if there is another restaurant with such a chef. This man comes highly recommended . . . a graduate of the finest cooking school in Paris . . . twenty years a chef in France . . . he is an artist in every sense of the word. He is a perfectionist like myself and has a horror of using an iota of anything synthetic. He is a perfectionist in his cuisine and it cost me one thousand and seventy seven dollars to put him in my kitchen. His wine list was THAT long and the imported truffles and all the other items needed in his cooking are something to SEE. His cuisine is French and International. His Crepes de Volaille a la Versailles (thin pancakes filled with chicken, truffles) are terrific . . . the Cheese Blintzes with sour cream THAT thick with fresh strawberries you have never tasted the equal of . . . and his SHISH KEBAB WITH RICE EN BRANCHETTE IS THE FINEST I HAVE EVER TASTED IN MY LIFE. . . . and I am a keen judge of what constitutes the finest in preparation and taste. His French pastry is something so angelical that with the exception of the above mentioned restaurants there is not to be had anywhere else SUCH pastry . . . ah me . . . For those few and rare Epicureans who appreciate top notch quality and inspired preparation of foods cooked without synthetics . . . we here at Fanny's speak the same language they do. As one distinguished gentleman said after partaking of a luncheon here recently . . . Ah Madam Fanny . . . this food is divine . . . it reminds me of the good old days when we ate similar foods at the old TIP TOP RESTAURANT . . . there are SO FEW LIKE YOU LEFT IN THIS MATERIALISTIC WORLD . . . THE NEW SCHOOL IS MUCH TOO COMMERCIAL AND UNAPPRECIATIVE OF THE GASTRONOMICAL ENJOYMENT WE OLDSTERS HAVE ALWAYS DESIRED. SOME MODERN RESTAURANTS ARE SO PLUSH-PLUSH THAT THEIR EXCESSIVE OVERHEAD PROHIBITS THE MOST IMPORTANT ITEM . . . QUALITY Plus . . . plus . . . in the preparation of their various dishes and specialties. THERE IS NOT ANOTHER RESTAURANT IN AMERICA THAT HAS WON AS MANY AWARDS AND HONORS AS FANNY'S DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS . . . OUR SUCCESS SPEAKS FOR ITSELF . . . WE TAKE OUR STAND . . . AS ONE OF THE SEVEN FINEST RESTAURANTS IN AMERICA . . . AS RECOMMENDED BY LA TOUR D'ARGENT OF PARIS . . . TRE SCALINI OF ROME . . . LEONI OF LONDON . . . THE GOLDEN PACE OF STOCKHOLM, ETC., ETC. . . . PATRONIZED BY LOCAL AND FOREIGN SOCIALITES AND CELEBRITIES . . . AND NATIONAL FIGURES LIKE PRESIDENT EISENHOWER AND OTHERS . . . FANNY'S SHOULD BE A MUST FOR YOUR NEXT LUNCHEON OR DINNER DATE.

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Berghoff's, 17 w. Adams (HA 7-3177). A hearty appetites: corned beef and cabbage, Thuringer sausage, other German dishes. The dark draught beer is excellent. 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.; closed Sun. Lunch \$1-\$2.50, dinner \$1.75-\$4.

Blackhawk Restaurant, 139 n. Wabash (HA 6-2822). Don Roth's prime rib palace has a rolling rib cart, spinning salad bowl and personality waiters. Weekdays, 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.; Sat., 1:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.; Sun. 3:30 to 10 p.m. Dinner \$2.50-\$5.

Cafe Bonaparte, Sheraton-Blackstone hotel, 100 Michigan at Balbo (HA 7-4300). Very elegant dishes served in very elegant surroundings in this fairly new dining place. Halcyon provides dance music after 9:30. Noon to 1:00 a.m. Dinner from \$6.

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inental Gourmet, 1508 e. 57th (PL 7-55). Wonderful hors d'oeuvres table is catered by special national dishes in a mile-high atmosphere. Weekdays except Sat., 4:30 p.m. to 10. Dinner \$1.75-\$3.75.

day's, 1601 Simpson (Evanson) (GR 4-66). Spaghetti, salad dressing and other treats all live up to their wide-spread reputation. Mon.-Sat., 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.; 5 to 10 p.m.; Sun., noon to 10 p.m. Dinner \$1.50-\$4.75.

Harvey's Harlequin Room, Palmolive (Spring), 919 n. Michigan (DE 7-0808). A quiet room for restrained dining. 12 a.m. to 9 p.m. Lunch from \$1.25; dinner from \$2.25.

riel's, 210 n. State (AN 3-7100). Good time behind a Hollywood facade. Daily, 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Dinner \$2.85-\$4.95.

Asian Terrace, 55 w. Washington (RA 4-37). A good Loop restaurant where there's plenty of room at lunch time. Cook specialties include awalemono (a carambola (fish roe) and assorted meats and pellets. Daily 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Lunch from \$1.15; dinner from \$2.25.

Sai Gai, 85 w. Randolph (AN 3-6474). Downtown in the Loop. 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.; 11 to 3 a.m. Lunch \$1.75-\$2; dinner \$1.55-\$4.

rand's, 632 n. Clark (DE 7-2020). An old-fashioned restaurant devoted exclusively to the manifold delights of the sea. Noon to 2 a.m.; Dinner \$2-\$5.

ian Village, 71 w. Monroe (DE 2-9192, 2-9857). Authentic Florentine cooking is served here in two restaurants. Among the dishes offered are some rarely found in Chicago, such as Cannelloni and Mantova. Mon.-Fri., 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Lunch at \$1.25; dinner from \$2.

iques', 900 n. Michigan (DE 7-9040). Continental foods and choice wines in a light-hearted French atmosphere. 11:30 a.m. to 3 a.m., 5 to 10:30 p.m. Lunch \$1.70-\$2.60; dinner \$3.80-\$6.

Ed Star Inn, 1508 n. Clark (WH 4-3637). Probably the biggest menu in the city includes a zwiebel fleisch that's better than sauerbraten, even. Open 4 p.m. to midnight. From \$1.75.

Hubert's grill, 316 Federal (WE 9-6770). Superior food served by red-coated waiters in old English surroundings. Mon.-Sat., noon to midnight; closed Sun. A la carte from \$6.

Rock Yard Inn, 42nd & Halsted (YA 7-5580). The Sirlain room specializes in prime beef. It whumps up other dishes on demand. Dinner \$3.25-\$6.

reden House, 157 e. Ohio (SU 7-3350). The best and most delicate of Scandinavian dishes in handsome surroundings. 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 a.m. Lunch from \$.75, dinner from \$1.75.

ell of the Sea, Sherman hotel, Clark & Randolph (FR 2-2100). A dim room with top sea menu and decor. Daily, noon to midnight; Sun., 4 to 9 p.m. Lunch \$1.60-\$2.25; dinner a la carte.



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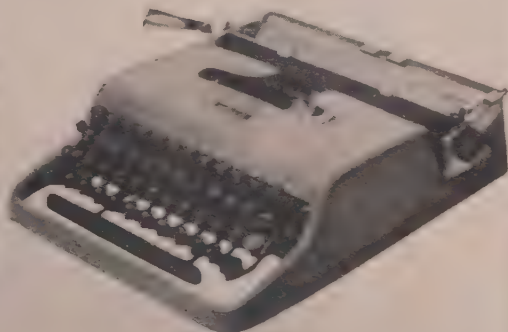
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GOOD CLEAN FUN

This conversation was overheard in hotel lobby:

Woman with a small girl: "She wants to play house with your son."

Woman with small boy: "What could happen? Let 'em play house."

NORTHWESTERN RECESS; PETERING THROUGH THE WAA-MU SHOW



Robert Buchbinder photo

THE PAUSE THAT DOESN'T REFRESH

What should have been the Terrace Room was the Terrace Room, the "a" being missing from the knotty pine paneling. It was 10:15 a.m. A new elevator load of young office girls walked across the room directly to the stainless steel counter. Two of them, a blonde and a brunette, sat down together. Both had coffee.

"I hate these Mondays," said the blonde.

"Whoever called them 'blue Mondays' knew what he was talking about," the brunette said.

They both sipped coffee.

"Johnny took me to see *Carousel* yesterday," the brunette said.

"On Sunday?"

"Yeah. It was pretty good. Gordon MacRae."

"I saw him in *Oklahoma!*," the blonde said, "with Shirley Jones."

"She was in *Carousel*," the brunette said. "It was filmed in Maine."

"*Oklahoma!* was filmed in Arizona," said the blonde.

"Are you going to get another cup of coffee?"

"I drink too much coffee," said the blonde.

"It's free."

"I know. I drink too much."

"I don't think I'll get another one either," the brunette said. She paused. "I went to church, too. Was I busy yesterday?"

"Yesterday?" the blonde said.

"Yeah. First time since Christmas."

"How was it?"

"All right. Same old thing, you know."

"I got a pile of work waiting for me upstairs," the blonde said.

"So do I."

They stood.

"I hate these coffeekes," the brunette said.

"Me too," said the blonde.

THE LEAST KNOWN CITY SERVICE

The late afternoon was chilly, but inside the city's Fernand Henrotin public bath at 2415 north Marshfield the air was tropically warm and there was a pleasant tang of hot water and the rushing sound of showers going full steam.

In the waiting room the caretaker, Nicholas Caliva, handed out towels and soap to four men who sat on a bench. From each he collected a dime, placing the coins in a desk in the small office behind a wire screen. Ten men were under the showers. The four on the bench, factory workers who live in the neighborhood, were waiting for some of the bathers to finish. While they waited they talked with good-humored pessimism about inflated prices.

Henrotin has 21 showers in two rows, shut off from the waiting room by a wooden partition that extends up part way to the high ceiling. Ten in one row are individually enclosed in clean slabs of slate, and each has an accompanying wooden cubicle where one can undress in privacy. The eleven in the other row are not enclosed;

bathers who use them put their clothes in lockers along the wall or just leave them heaped on benches in front of the lockers. Now these showers were idle and the four men in the waiting room could have used them, but they preferred the others.

"Grownups like privacy," said Nick Caliva, a quick-moving handsome man whose curling black hair has begun to gray. "Bunch of teen-agers, though, they'll take over the open showers like a basketball team after a game."

For ten cents anyone can take a shower at any of the 15 municipally owned public bath houses. That price includes a small bar of soap and the use of a towel. An extra towel costs five cents more. If a bather brings his own towel he pays only a nickel for his bath and soap. At Henrotin, no charge is made for little boys up to about ten or—on ladies days—little girls—if they bring their own towels. Maximum time under a shower is ten minutes, but Caliva doesn't call it that close unless the place is crowded.

"Sort of busy now," he said. "Those fellows"—nodding toward the showers—"all came in at the same time. I'll cut 'em off pretty soon."

The public baths, all located in the older neighborhoods of the city, were started more than half a century ago by the board of health. They are named after prominent Chicagoans and other distinguished folk. The oldest, William Mavor, at 4645 McDowell, convenient to the stock yards, was opened in 1900; the newest, John P. Wilson, 3225 south Racine, in 1930.

Their establishment reflects a recognition of the fact that not all homes have bathrooms, as well as the reasonable assumption that cleanliness is a requisite of health. Since 1928 the public baths have been operated by the bureau of parks and recreation of the department of public works—the change in stewardship possibly symbolizing a cultural advance by which bathing is now regarded as a pleasure instead of a necessary evil. The baths are not expected to produce a profit or even make expenses, but are regarded as a necessary public service like street lighting or garbage collection.

Not all of their patrons, by any means, lack bathtubs at home. Children especially regard Henrotin as something of a recreation center. Out of his own pocket Caliva provides checkers for them to play in the wait-

ing room and, for smaller fry, scooters which they run back and forth on the concrete in the clean, roomy basement. "Gets them off the street," he said.

Henrotin was opened in 1908. Caliva, whose job is under civil service, has been there five years, living in the caretaker's apartment with his wife Mella and his son Michael. Before coming to Henrotin he worked 11 years at Theodore F. Gurney public bath, 1141 west Chicago. In the comparatively short time he's been at Henrotin he has become a neighborhood institution. A stranger asking directions to the place is likely to be told, "Oh, yeah—you mean Nick's bath house."

The public baths are closed Sundays and Mondays in order to give caretakers a five-day work week. Ladies days occur once or twice a week. At Henrotin these come on Wednesdays and on Saturdays till noon, when the men and boys again troop in.

On ladies days a woman attendant, Mrs. Margaret Rooney, takes over. Caliva, however, doesn't get this time off. He retires to the basement and cleans it, takes out the ashes, feeds the big furnace to keep the building and water hot, and makes any needed repairs that don't require the services of a specialist. Keeping the bath house clean is a never-ending chore. Floors must be regularly washed and disinfected. Showers, lockers, benches, walls—everything must be kept screechingly immaculate. Even Mrs. Rooney, in the short periods she's there, dusts and generally slicks up the waiting room when she isn't dishing out towels and soap or regulating the water.

A sign in the waiting room forbids smoking, spitting, loud, profane or obscene talk, marring furnishings or walls, but Caliva doesn't have to admonish anyone. Everybody seems to be on his good behavior at the baths. The caretaker can't remember ever having had a really disagreeable incident with a patron. Occasionally a drunk wobbles in, whereupon Caliva at once takes him outside again, telling him to come back when he's sober. "Can't risk having him fall and hurt himself," he said.

Now it was time for the ten bathers to come out. Fastened above a cluster of valves on the partition between waiting room and showers is a gong. Caliva rings it to let bathers know he's turning on the cold water for a min-

ute before shutting the water off altogether.

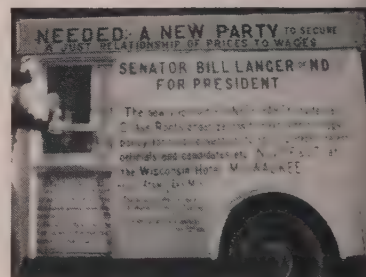
"Not really cold," he said, "just cool water. But some don't want to finish with cool. So I warn 'em."

He sounded the gong. At once a man's voice sang out from a shower.

"I'm all soaped up again, Nick. Give us another minute of the hot."

"Okay," said the trustee of "Nick's bath house."

BANDWAGON?



Ray Nelson photo

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

An old lady at an airport on being told that her non-scheduled flight was held up an hour because the plane had a flat tire: "I can change a tire in 15 minutes."

RAH-RAH SPIRIT

A sign in the College of Complexes boasts: "This place is recommended by drunken swine."

WHICH TWIN HAS THE TIARA?

A few days after the coup de Grace had been administered to a monarch named after a mountain bigger than his realm, Miss Kelly was at bay before the press in the Beau Nash room of the Ambassador West hotel.

Before the inquisition began, the journalists made notes about the attire of the slender blonde who was speaking softly into a house phone. They observed that she was characteristically wearing a dark, simply-tailored dress with a high neck, and plain black pumps. Just as they were completing their descriptions, a press agent announced, "Miss Kelly will be

in a few minutes, gentlemen." Miss Kelly did arrive in a few minutes, wearing a dark, simply-tailored dress with a high neck, and plain black pumps. Besides probing into her private business, the reporters tried to find out who her double was. All they could learn about the latter lady, apart from the fact she was a ringer for Miss Kelly, was that she was 16 years old and her name was Bette Lieb. Edys Erickson of the *American* had brought her to the conference and had enjoined her not to lavish information on the representatives of other publications.

However, Bette was cornered a few weeks later in her parents' home on Anthropol avenue, where, clad in a black, simply-tailored dress and plain black pumps, she revealed that her resemblance to Miss Kelly goes beyond the striking physical match.

They are both outstanding actresses in their own fields of operation. For the last five summers Bette has been enrolled in the dramatic division of the National Music camp at Interlochen, Michigan, where she received an award as the best speech student. The camp runs a theatre much like a professional stock company, and on its stage Bette has played leads in *The Taming of the Shrew*, *Our Hearts Were Young and Gay*, *The Corn Is Green* and *Victoria Regina*.

Like Miss Kelly, Bette has done professional modeling. When she was 13

role. She has also picked up some juke box money doing radio commercials.

Bette is connected with the movie industry, though not so directly as the incipient princess. Her father, Jack, was with MGM for many years. Then, after serving as a war correspondent during World War II (covering the Normandy landings), he started his

Don Bronstein photo



Gracious

own firm, Producers Film Studios. He pioneered in making television movies, and also does industrial pictures.

Although Jack Lieb admires Grace Kelly as an actress and a person, he challenges the idea that Bette is her double. He thinks his daughter is better looking. He has been taking pictures of her ever since she moved in, and has some excellent bubble bath shots from about 14 years ago which are not, unfortunately, available for publication.

Bette has also been immortalized in oils, by her attractive blonde mother, Rosamund. Like her daughter, Mrs. Lieb has been accused of resembling a movie star, but she doesn't like to say which one, possibly because she is old enough to have a son, 27, rounding out the family.

Bette is a good student in a good school. A junior at private Francis Parker, she has neglected modeling and radio work lately to write long themes and get high grades. A classmate has noted a similarity between Bette's social milieu and Miss Kelly's. This anonymous informant says Miss Lieb is often seen in the company of students from Chicago Latin, which is considered more of a society school than Parker.

Like Grace Kelly talking to the press, Bette folded her hands in her lap and spoke quietly as she recalled that their resemblance was first pointed out about two years ago, after *High Noon* was released. Only after the engagement was announced, however, did the identification become really frequent. Her school friends congratulated her on the betrothal, and people began asking for her autograph in Marshall Field's.

Bette gazed at the "sweet sixteen" ring on her finger while she discussed her penchant for the arts, which is broader, if less mature, than Miss Kelly's. She pointed out that she reads Tolstoy and Chekov, has been studying piano for ten years, represented her school on the teen-age fashion board at Carson Pirie Scott, and took dancing lessons for a long time, although it turned out that "I just wasn't made for ballet."

She related that on a recent trip to New York she had talked to Lee Strasberg, the renowned drama director and teacher whose 17-year-old daughter is a hit on Broadway. He offered to give her an audition whenever she wants one.

"When I was about seven," said Bette, "I won a scholarship to the Art Institute. I guess it was because I made the nose with a triangle instead of three dots, or some psychological reason like that."

PROFIT-SHARING PLAN

A West Side druggist provides this addition to the cartage theft anecdotes published here in March:

A couple of years ago the druggist bought three pairs of pants at Bond's. He took two of them home, leaving the other one to be altered and delivered to the store.

About a week later a man entered the store and asked, "Did you order a pair of pants from Bond's?"

"Yes," said the druggist.

"You'll never get them," the visitor announced with conviction.

"What do you mean, I'll never get them," the druggist wanted to know.

"I just stole them off the truck," the man said. "I'll sell them to you for half price. Then you tell Bond's you never got them and they'll give you a refund."

The druggist indignantly refused

Ambassador hotels photo



Coca

He looked up several agencies in the Red Book and went around and registered. Her assignments included posing for Toni ads, though not as one of the twins—perhaps because Miss Kelly was not available for the other

and called the police, while the quondam salesman ran out of the store.

The man was never caught, but cartage detail police found out more about how he operated by asking some questions around the neighborhood. If the packages he stole had been paid for, he offered the half-price deal. If they were C.O.D., he simply made the deliveries and collections.

THE FLYING CAMEL

During World War I, 6,000 redoubtable Sopwith Camel fighting planes were manufactured in England. Today there are four left.

Three are museum pieces. One is owned by the Royal Canadian Air Force, one by the Royal Aero club of London and one by the South Kensington (England) museum.

The fourth is the only one that still flies. When it isn't buzzing high above nearby cornfields, it is housed in a hangar at Chicagoland airport on Milwaukee avenue beyond Libertyville. Its pilot is Frank Tallman, a tall, slim, brown-eyed advertising representative at WBBM.

Tallman is well-qualified for the exciting task of Camel driving. An Army flying instructor before World War II and a Navy instructor during the war, he holds all the pilot ratings there are and at present is commander of a naval reserve helicopter squadron at Glenview.

Tallman's antique aviation venture started in 1949 when, poking through a private museum in New Jersey, he came upon four junked fighting planes of the first war: the Camel, a German Pfalz, a French Spad and a French Nieuport. He bought all four for \$500.

The Pfalz and the Spad he shipped to another ancient plane enthusiast in Atlanta, who agreed to rebuild the Pfalz for Tallman, accepting the Spad as his fee. That work is now going on. The Camel was sent to a Peoria mechanic, with the Nieuport going along to pay for its restoration which was completed last year.

Tallman thinks his Camel was brought to this country by Clarence Chamberlin, one of the first fliers to span the Atlantic nonstop. It was little more than a skeleton when he got it, and the rebuilding was a tedious, lengthy chore. Tallman wrote for blueprints from the plane's maker,



Above: Frank Tallman looks over the engine that spins as the Camel flies, admires Vickers machine guns that punctured German aviation, and gets ready to soar. Right: He comes in for a landing.



and insisted that it be exactly like the original Camel.

"I'm like an antique auto bug," he says. "Why bother with an antique if it isn't authentic? If, for example, I put a modern engine in it, it wouldn't be a Camel."

Even so, except that it's a biplane, the Camel looks surprisingly modern—more like a plane of fifteen years ago than nearly forty. It's a tiny thing and compact, with smooth lines and a round, blunt nose neatly cowled in aluminum. The fuselage has a slight hump forward which covers the breeches of the twin Vickers machine guns in front of the single cockpit, and it is this hump which gave the Sopwith its nickname.

Tallman's Camel has its original nine-cylinder, 110-horsepower LeRhône engine. It has a top speed of 124 miles per hour, a landing speed of only 34. Against a strong wind it sets down at walking speed. Its theoretical ceiling is 24,000 feet. The primitive planes of World War I could operate at altitudes that even today seem rather high. The Camel in the South Kensington museum shot down a German zeppelin at 19,000 feet above the English channel.

The engine is perhaps the strangest part of the Camel. When Tallman

primes its nine cylinders with gasoline and then cranks the propeller by hand, the whole motor spins around with the prop—at 1200 r.p.m. The old LeRhône of French design, is a rotary, not the familiar radial engine. The axle does not turn; it is fixed to the fuselage and the engine and prop spin around it.

The entire plane, guns and all, weighs only 900 pounds, and as the engine weighs 400 its rotation sets up a tremendous torque—the tendency of a single-engine plane to twist in the opposite direction from that in which prop and engine are turning. To offset this tendency, wings and/or tail surfaces are modified. But of all early planes powered with rotary engines the Camel remained the most torque of all.

Tallman says that Camels have two distinctions: They shot down more enemy aircraft than any other World War I planes, and they killed more pilots in crashes. Because the engine spins to the right, the torque is to the left, and it was in fighting the torque in efforts to bank and turn right after takeoff that most of the crashes occurred. Legend has it, says Tallman, that the now universal practice of circling to the left after takeoff developed from the Camel's dangerous obstinacy.



photographs
by Don Bronstein

The engine has a couple of other peculiarities. It either runs wide open or not at all. It can't be throttled down. To slow down when landing, the pilot presses a button that cuts off the engine completely. When the engine catches again, the button is pressed once more, and this goes on until the plane has been babied to the ground. It's a tricky procedure, especially on a gusty day.

The engine is lubricated oddly. Gas and oil are fed into it together, so that they mix and go right into the cylinders that way. The lubricant must always be pure castor oil, which is consumed at the rate of two gallons per hour.

In the air, Tallman knows his Camel is getting sufficient lubricant when he sees a plume of castor oil blown out in the wake, collecting on the wings and dripping back in tiny rivulets. Much of the time the pilot is sniffing castor oil fumes, and some wartime Camel flyers who were either sensitive or suggestively were said to be always very happy to get back to base after a mission.

Tallman considers his rather expensive hobby well worth the price. He has the camaraderie of the small, closely knit fraternity of antique-plane buffs. They are constantly trading stories. At any time, for example, Tall-

man may get a call from someone in California who needs something for an obsolete Hall Scott aircraft engine. He may have it in the garage of his home in Glenview, where he lives with his wife and two small children, or he may refer his caller to someone in Texas, or even in England.

There is also, of course, the fun of flying an antique. The Camel handles delicately and Tallman enjoys having the wind and sun on his face now and then—an exhilarating experience few of the millions of persons who fly have known in these days of closed cabins.

"It seems less like an impersonal, cold machine," Tallman says. "And it's fun to know that it's the only plane of its kind that flies. I suppose I get some of the satisfaction an art lover gets when he discovers a genuine Van Dyck in an attic and dusts it off and brings it out where it belongs."

There is also the knowledge that he is contributing to aviation, especially to the history of flying. An old training plane—a Curtiss Jenny—Tallman owned is now being used in Hollywood in films about Lindbergh and Billy Mitchell. Eventually Tallman's Camel will go to the national air museum of the Smithsonian institution. But before that his German Pfalz may be ready to fly.

INTERPRETIVE REPORTING

This is a condensed version of a news story from the daily student paper at Lane Technical high school:

"On Friday the executive committee called for a special meeting of the student council. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss bill No. 15. Bill No. 15 called for the buying and installing of a Hammond electric organ in the auditorium. This organ cost about \$2,500.

"Mr. Thue, the council's sponsor, informed the council how they had accumulated so much money. Mr. Thue said that about two hundred dollars are left in the budget every semester. Through the years this surplus has risen to about \$3,800.

"The next man to speak before the council was Mr. Schneider, the head of the music department. Mr. Schneider was to give the merits of an organ, but he ended up in telling how the music department needs an organ. Mr. Schneider told of how he has been

unable to get the orchestra together for an assembly on numerous occasions. The organ would be able to replace the orchestra on these occasions.

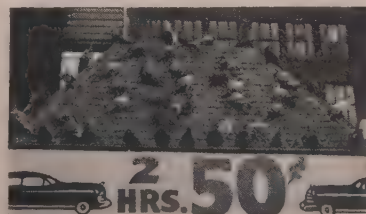
"Mr. Schneider was able to pat himself on the back and tell himself, 'Schneider, a job well done,' as he saw the council vote favorably on the first reading of his bill.

"On Monday the executive committee again called for a special meeting. This meeting also called for the purpose of discussing bill No. 15. With the absence of Mr. Schneider, the council began to think about other ways of spending its money. A motion was made, stating that a committee of five be formed to look into the possibilities of how the council could spend its money. This was passed and President Ron Kielar appointed the committee of five headed by Niles Fagerman.

"The week's regular meeting of the student council was held on the 15th. . . . Nils Fagerman, chairman of the committee to look into the possibilities of spending the council's money, said that there were five ways. They were as follows: rehabilitation of the clinic, a monument with the school's name on it erected on the corner of Addison and Western, a scholarship fund and an organ.

"There were two practical items: the monument and the organ. Due to the fact that the administration did not want the monument, the only thing left for consideration was the organ. . . . Art Weren made a motion to bring his money bill, bill No. 15, on the floor for the first order of old business. The motion was carried. After Weren, Perschke, Weber and Richards gave some discussion on bill No. 15, Kukla called for the question. After the count was taken a call for a roll-call vote was made. After the roll-call vote was taken bill No. 15 was passed by two votes."

ROOFTOP PARKING



Don Bronstein photo

"Most mayors fire people to get rid of them. When I fire 'em, I still got 'em."

Things are in one —
of a ——— mess
down in Aurora, but
they're coming to a head.

by Bernard Asbell



THE WORST MAYOR IN AMERICA

Aurora, population 54,000, largest community in the thriving Fox river valley, which cuts a long furrow 30 miles west of Chicago, is a model city for all Americans to observe and ponder. No free-voting community can afford not to learn from its lesson.

Aurora's situation is a model of community calamity. Its chief executive is unquestionably the worst mayor in America. The city is headed by an uninformed, self-seeking, bigoted, profane, impetuous, boisterous, bungling, unpredictable buffoon.

It is also true that the head of this city is one of the most entertaining men ever to hold public office. But the time has come for the city to have its head examined.

Three years have passed since Paul

Egan switched his source of livelihood from the unemployment compensation rolls to the public payroll as top man in town. Many Aurorans still don't know much about him. He hardly ever speaks in public, though he hardly ever stops talking in private. When his antics hit the papers, people laugh, partly at him, partly with him. He is a conversation piece. People who don't see him can hardly help but enjoy, sometimes admire him.

So, when his term ends next April, in the opinion of many local leaders, he may be elected again. These leaders shudder at the thought, but not out of partisanship. While municipal elections are non-partisan, they are not half as non-partisan as the mayor. When he ran for the office (or when he stumbled

into it, as we shall see), one of his rare appearances was before a Republican rally. There he dynamited stony conservatism with the salutation "You guys are worse than the ——— Communists." Office-starved Democrats, sensing an ally, gleefully ushered him to a rally of their own where Egan sounded off, "You Democrats aren't so hot, either. In fact you're just as bad."

Once in office, Egan became even more eloquent. Invited to greet the county medical society, Egan arose, looked around and blurted, "I'll be ———. I forgot who you guys are. Then reminded, he denounced the doctors as a bunch of quacks, chiefly interested in money. To prove his point, he stormed at length about

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operating with me. I'm trying to do
job, but they're trying to put me
the booby hatch."

Each of four commissioners, who sit
th the mayor to comprise a five-man
uncil, has specific executive duties,
ile the mayor, as commissioner of
blic affairs, theoretically coordinates
em. So despite him, the executive
ork of the city goes on day by day.
Some sigh philosophically that
ere's only another year of this to go,
why not enjoy it? Others warn that
departure is not so sure because,
prising as it seems, the town still
esn't know much about Paul Egan.

Y FIRST ENCOUNTER with Aurora's
roarious mayor went something like
s: On a Wednesday night I phoned

his home to tell him I wanted to inter-
view him for an article. He said he
would meet me in his office Thursday
at 4 p.m. He had to be in Springfield
most of Thursday on "official business"
which turned out to be, like most of
his business, an appearance in court.

At 4 p.m. and again at 5, I checked
with Egan's secretary, a middle-aged
blonde woman. She hadn't heard from
him and she went home.

Next morning I called Egan, who
answered the phone himself. "I'm
terribly sorry about yesterday," he
started out. "I was down in Springfield
and just as I was set to leave town,
I saw one of those new buses, you
know, the two-story ones all made of
glass that Greyhound's putting out. I
never been on one of those and it was
going to Joliet, so I took a little bus
ride up there and had my wife come
and pick me up with the car, so you
know it was pretty late when I came
back."

When I entered his office later that
morning, where his secretary had sat
the day before, there now squatted a
man, dressed for a cold day outside
(which it was not), typing furiously.
He looked up long enough to say, "Be
with you in a minute." It was the
mayor. He wore a heavy black over-
coat over a blue suit, a gray Homburg,
obviously an old and trusted keepsake
not to be separated from its owner
even long enough for the cleaners, a
soft and gently rumpled shirt of the
type worn by bus drivers, and a red-
and-blue knitted tie. Attention is com-
manded by the lower of his two chins
which swoops around mightily, be-
coming one with his neck. He ap-
peared unshaven, though a closer look
revealed no growth of whiskers. "In
fairness to him," a critic had told me
the day before, "it should be said he
never looks like he has shaved even on
the rare occasions when he has."

Looking hotly down at his type-
writer through light shell-rimmed
glasses, he huffed and puffed, mouth
open. When he finished, he ripped
the papers out of the machine,
separated a set of carbons and threw
them at me, saying, with pride, "How
do you like that?" It was a lengthy
memo, two full pages, touching upon
the plunderers of the city, the hard-
ships inflicted upon him by the forces
of evil, the terrible uphill fight it was
to make the world run right. But the
main point of it was to fire two mem-
bers of the Civil Service board. Im-
mediately. Then he showed me a
shorter memo "to the Aurora Police
Department" (he never addresses the
chief since he doesn't recognize the
one in office) firing two captains and
a patrolman.

"And these — — secretaries



At the ends of stormy days in city hall,
after battling against councilmen,
lawyers, ministers, businessmen and the
"vested interests," the mayor leaves
the smoldering scene alone, with no
allies and few friends.

don't make things any easier. Now
this one's gone. I guess it's the fifteenth
one that's turned on me."

Is she the one who was here yester-
day?

"Yeah, the — — — — it."

Isn't she going to come back?

"I hope not, — — — — it. Especially
now, I don't want her snooping around
here."

Why not now?

"Because in this — — — — memo
that she wasn't here to type that I just
did myself I just fired her husband
from the — — — — civil service board.
I tell you this — — — — thing is
coming to a head around here. Now
even the — — — — lawyers have
deserted me. Only one — — — —
lawyer will talk to me the way things
have shaped up. And maybe after
this call, he won't either."

He dialed and addressed a man
named Charlie. Without stopping to
identify himself, he announced that
"Things are coming to a head around



All is rosy between the newly-elected mayor and his first chiefs of police and fire departments (after he decided not to insist on holding the offices himself), Henry "Go-get-em-Hank" Reckinger and William Ernst. A few days later pandemonium broke out. Egan fired Reckinger, who refused to leave office.



In the ensuing months, a parade of eight police chiefs have tried to preserve sanity in Aurora. Egan was barred by the courts from interfering with police matters after he ordered his chief to blockade interstate highways to keep trucks out of his city. He even hailed a few trucks to the side of the road himself.

here." He read Charlie with righteous anger but with literary pride the long memo he had just written, firing the civil service officials. Then he paused. "But I already mailed them," he told Charlie, while he was still separating the copies from each other. "What's wrong with the date? . . . Then with this date, it's no good . . . Well, — the — . . . What the — the difference about the — date . . . I'm not going to let them — — stop me on any — technicality like that. I tell you this thing's building to a great big head around here." He slammed the phone down. He asked for my copy of the memo. Together with his own, he tore it into small bits.

OF ALL THE LEGAL PROCEEDINGS which have consumed so much of the mayor's time, the most demanding have concerned cops, former cops and would-be cops. It all started with nothing but the good of the community at heart when Egan took office and announced that he was appointing himself fire chief and police chief, thus saving two major salaries. A couple of weeks later, while the council was still puzzling over this precedent, Egan changed his mind and appointed a constable named Henry Reckinger, known locally as "Go-get-em Hank," as police chief. Another two weeks and he changed his mind again, naming a patrolman from the Chicago police force, Ray Coutre. Reckinger refused to vacate. Moreover, the council refused to approve the new man. Coutre returned to Chicago and wired Egan that things being how they are he didn't believe he'd take the job. Soon Reckinger quit. Next came Donald

Curran, an experienced police officer. The blowup between Curran and Egan arose over the problem of long-haul trucks congesting Aurora. Egan had worked out a route by which trucks could leave U.S. 30 and by-pass the city at considerable cost in time and mileage. He went to Springfield and asked Governor Stratton to compel trucks to use it. The Governor replied that (a) he cannot control federal highways but that (b) the state highway commission already was planning a new by-pass for Aurora to be ready the next year. Furious because the governor did not act immediately, Egan declared publicly that Stratton was a "phony" who wasn't interested in helping because Kane county is already solidly Republican. He printed up maps of his by-pass and ordered Chief Curran to stop all trucks and strongly suggest that they follow the route. When the campaign failed, Egan ordered Curran to nab truckers on obscure violations like dirty mirrors and mud-splattered license plates. Dubious, Curran complied again. The first day, trucks were backed up on the highway eight miles in each direction. Next Sunday morning, 100 truckers demonstrated outside Egan's house. Egan pressed on, ordering Curran to barricade the city limits to keep trucks out. Here Curran rebelled. "You'll be in your own jail before the sun sets. The United States marshal will be out here," he warned the mayor. "To hell with the — — —," Egan retorted. "I'm the — — — mayor!" Next day, the truckers won an injunction. Egan fired Curran and Curran went to court, too. He quickly got another injunction forbidding Egan to tamper with the police department.

The injunction was served on Egan, a deputy sheriff named John Finley. The mayor brushed the notice as scrutinized Finley and saw in him a new police chief. Egan swore him on the spot. Later, the sheriff advised Finley to just forget it and that was the end of Finley's term of office. Then Egan swore in police lieutenant Frank Carroll, but Curran stayed. Only a resort left, Egan swore himself in. Three days later, the court cited Egan for contempt for withholding Curran's pay and the same day one of Curran's men arrested the mayor for speeding. "Things are coming to a head around here," he thundered. He called an emergency meeting of the police and fire boards where he named police sergeant Casper Niser as chief. Together with Curran and himself, he made three chiefs at one time. The only significant change which took place at the meeting was that James N. Vaughan, a police board member, announced he was fed up and quit. When Curran's year was up, he bowed out with apparent relief and the council appointed Capt. Francis Tighe. He is still on the job, even though Egan has fired him numerous times. On Tom Duggan's TV show, Egan moaned one night, "Most mayors are people to get rid of them. When I fire 'em, I still got 'em."

THE MAYOR'S PRESENT pretender to the rank of chief of police, and also his closest associate and constant companion, is a local kitchenware salesman named Glen Palmatier. He is a tall, quiet man. He wears an effective broad-brimmed hat, but its effect is cancelled out by a receding chin and tight, nervous lips. Through rim-

sses, his eyes seem always on the
ge of making a desperate decision.
matier says his business has gone
hell and he is out \$3,300 in legal
ts in the fight to establish himself
ef of police. "But some ———
———" he says with quiet determi-
ion, "is going to have to come up
h a lot one of these days." He
ns to collect back pay dating from
arch 11, 1955, when he was "ap-
inted." Palmatier never disagrees
th Egan. Sometimes he asks a
lite, clarifying question. But most
the time, when he talks, it is to
mplify the mayor's feelings about
ney."

Next in the mayor's unofficial cab-
et is an elderly tobacco chewer, who
ears a cap and lumber jacket, called
orse Bitterman. Nobody seems to
ow his real first name. Once a dead
orse was found in the street and
hile spectators wondered how one
ets rid of such an item, Bitterman,
ccording to legend, carried it away.
e, too, is a thin man and he has little
say about anything until the con-
versation turns to "they." Then Horse
usually more expressive than any-
body except, of course, the mayor.

If anything ever takes precedence
ver profanity in Mayor Egan's con-
versation it is "they." Depending upon
he topic, the pronoun describes the
hamber of Commerce, the Fox River
alley Manufacturer's association, the
ty council, the Aurora *Beacon-News*,
en-agers today, all ministers, law-
ers, doctors and "joiners," and most
l the dumb ——— people who don't
now what the hell they want. Pre-
cisely it describes any person, group
r instrumentality contributing to to-
ay's general state of human confusion
n which Aurora, America and the
orld are going straight to Hell. "As

long as they run this town and all its
—— politics for their own pocket-
books, somebody's got to be in there
fighting for the people. They drove
me out of business and they've got me
hog-tied right now but I'm not licked."

Egan always equates his personal
defeats with the problems of "the
people." Also, he is always quicker to
name a problem than to propose a
solution. Pinned down to solutions, he
says, "It all comes down to how they
distribute the wealth." When he's
forced a step further to describe how
the wealth should be distributed: "I've
thought about that a little. It gets
pretty ——— complicated. But they'll
have to find some ——— way
to do it." At such times, he usu-
ally switches to a joke or a protest.
But he comes back. "I'll tell you what
the solution is. You know how they
work that industry deal, don't you?
One-third for wages, one-third for ex-
penses and one-third for profit. That's
the deal. They got to find a way to
increase the wages part of it and put
everything on a sound income basis.
Otherwise they'll have us ———
——— for sure."

The mayor recently has been "in
correspondence" with Henry Ford
("the younger one, you know"). "It
all started with that half a billion dol-
lar gift of his to the schools and hos-
pitals. My last letter to him, he hasn't
answered it yet, I told him what he
should do is raise a hundred billion
dollars and distribute it around to the
working man so he could keep a full
month ahead of the sheriff instead of
just two weeks like he does now."

Egan doesn't know who he'll sup-
port for president, but it doesn't trou-
ble him much. He respects Stevenson
because he once "had no trouble"
getting Stevenson on the telephone

while he was governor. "But he's too
——— lacey-pantsed for the peo-
ple."

Eisenhower? "The people will never
stomach him. Too soft-headed, like
the rest of them down there." Kefau-
ver was eliminated in unmentionable
terms. Thus having disposed of the
serious contenders, he was faced with
naming who he was for. "I've thought
about that once or twice, who might
make a good president. I think this
fellow Wayne Morse, from Idaho or
Utah or wherever that place is. I
don't know much about him. But he's
been thrown out of a lot of places,
just like me. If not him, maybe Gen-
eral MacArthur. Except that he's too
much like Kerensky, that Russian gen-
eral." Then he related a complex tale
about the Czarina and Rasputin.
When he had Rasputin swimming un-
der the ice of the Northern sea but
wouldn't die and the people took that
as an omen, the mayor's line of reason-
ing became obscured. He would not
be for Senator McCarthy because Mc-
Carthy, he says, is too much a mouth-
piece for the Catholic church "and
we have enough churchy ——— claw-
ing at our necks now." But he is not
against Catholics. He reveals that a
broad business survey has been quietly
taken to determine the most efficient
enterprise in the world. "They studied
IBM, General Motors, everybody."
The winner, Egan reports, was the
Catholic church.

THERE ARE POSITIVE SIDES to the May-
or's stormy tenure. In a community
which had long screamed for them,
two swimming pools have been con-
structed. Because they were built dur-
ing his term of office, Egan is credited
with them. The truck by-pass is now
open, to the genuine relief of the city,



The mayor lives in the most neglected house in one of the nicest neighbor-
hoods on the west side of Aurora.
While hardly any associates ever get
inside, most of them talk about a
barber chair in his front room which
enables the mayor to crank himself up
to an eye level higher than anybody's.



Egan earned a lot of approval when he
sent kids out to collect money for a
mosquito-spraying campaign, after he
claimed the city council denied the
funds to do it. The council claimed it
merely wanted to take time to budget
the money legally. Meanwhile, Egan
posed for pictures getting in a few
anti-mosquito licks.

and since the mayor was so demonstrative in siding with it, he gets credit for that, too. And then there was the anti-mosquito drive. Egan once called a citizens meeting and announced indignantly that the council had denied him money to spray the town against flies and mosquitoes. He ordered the work done anyway and sent out teams of children to ask for public contributions. They collected \$7,016, to the embarrassment of the council. "Dog-gone it," one city commissioner said, "we weren't against spraying. But he came up with the idea the week after we'd adopted the budget, which included no funds for spraying. The way he works, everything has to be right now, bang, or you're against him. We just wanted to provide the money legally before we spent it. And don't be quoting me, or I'll find myself in court again."

If Egan's desire to distribute the wealth is a complex way to solve problems, on one occasion he came up with a simpler cure-all: safety belts. He proposed the city buy 22,000 of them and require that all car passengers use them. Moreover, he would require them for all employees of the city incinerator because he had heard of five deaths in other towns caused by men falling into garbage pits. "We could buy the belts for \$3," he urged the council, "and install them for another buck. Then if we charged everybody \$7, we'd make \$77,000 for the city. With that money we could fill all the ——— holes in every ——— street in town. If that cost \$33,000, you boys would still have \$47,000 to kick around."

But his most ambitious scheme, and he's still hot for it, is to erect a \$20,000,000 all-purpose skyscraper which would bridge the Fox River ("so the ——— real estate owners can't get rich off the rent"). "I woke up one morning and it hit me. The reason there is no auditorium here is those ——— don't want three hundred people together at one time." A dream structure went up in his mind and went down in a little pocket-sized zippered notebook, where most of his plans begin and often end. It would consist of a 3,000-car garage, city hall, YMCA, stores, light manufacturing, a dormitory "for all the old maids in town," an old people's home, an auditorium, a municipal hospital, Goldblatt's ("they haven't made up their minds definitely about it yet"), an armory, a recreation center, apartments, a YWCA, a bowling alley and the home office of an insurance company. "All under one roof, all over one foundation." The surrounding area would be equipped with a moving sidewalk by Aurora's Stephens-

Adamson company (which this year is installing one in Wrigley field) "so the ——— people who are so ——— lazy today that they don't want to move a ——— muscle could get any thing they want, even get their teeth fixed and go see a lawyer with no trouble. Be the greatest ——— thing since Seven-Up."

Egan hired Evert Kincaid, a Chicago planner, to draw up an overall plan for the "Aurora of Tomorrow." Kincaid vetoed the over-the-river structure as uneconomic and Egan fired him. When the council rehired him to help solve the parking problem, Egan protested that Kincaid's fee was exorbitant and that any local engineer "with an ounce of brains" could do the job.

The mayor is not a consistent enthusiast for local talent. Six months after he took office, his corporation counsel, Tom O'Malley, resigned in utter bewilderment. Egan appointed Albert W. Dilling, a Chicago lawyer. Dilling came to a council meeting and sat silently through a loud rhubarb over his swearing-in. That night by letter, he resigned from the office in which he never served, saying, "I saw myself as a peacemaker between the mayor and the council. I find I'm not such a good peacemaker. I further find there are 91 lawyers residing in Aurora, but it seems none of them wants this job."

FOR PAUL EGAN, life has been a long arduous downhill climb, starting with numerous promising successes, continuing through numerous quite-avoidable failures to the final glory of the state unemployment rolls in one of the most prosperous years in American history, 1953, when he was elected mayor. His father, the descendant of Irish revolutionaries, ran a livery stable in Ottawa, Illinois, which Egan has since described as a "filthy hole." Except, that is, for its appellate court where Egan once enjoyed the rare circumstance of winning a lawsuit. When World War I erupted, young Egan already had found a job in Aurora as a meter repairman for the old Western United Gas and Electric company. He switched to becoming an advertising salesman for the *Aurora Beacon-News*. His first day on the job, he sold three quarter-page ads to hospitals which used to get space free. ("They must have thought I was Irish Catholic.") Soon he decided to join the army. Turned down because he weighed only 108 pounds, he made for Canada and the Royal Air Force. Asked where he was born, he said, "Ottawa." He was accepted.

After the war, Egan returned to selling ads for the *Beacon-News* where he stayed until 1941, an admirable display of stability. That year another man



Mayor Egan had a lot of fun on Leap Year when single girls took over the city for a patrolled the streets and "arrested" single men. Just a little while before Egan was fully banished from office by mayor-for-a-day Mary Reinhart, above, he fired the commission in charge of the traditional festivity. He chased Mrs. Ernest Van Auken, sr., the city's leading socialite, was trying to corner all the publicity and that she was "an old mud hen."

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was appointed advertising manager. Egan, incensed, left the paper, and consigned it to the category of "things never since." (To one of his sons, the paper is "we." He delivers the paper.) He took up with the *Joliet Spectator*, an independent weekly which battles the daily *Herald-News*. (The latter paper is a sister of the *Aurora Beacon-News* in the Copley Press chain. It has consistently covered for the vested interests in Joliet, including the immediate past mayor, recently indicted for income tax evasion on alleged political payoffs.) A roving promotional eye then led Egan to the Merchandise Mart, where he persuaded the management of the world's largest business center to let him sell a sheet for employees there and to set advertising from the building's retail tenants. One day he came to work and found his belongings piled out in the corridor. His latest edition had carried a typically rambling and splenetic harangue, dwelling upon how the Jews got us into World War II. The Mart threw him out. Back in Aurora, he joined up with the *Economist*, another "opposition" weekly. Soon, Egan bought out his aging employer, thus becoming the only competition, such as it was, to the daily *Beacon-News*. Egan again apportioned some of the printed space to editorial blasts, mainly at the *Beacon-News*. As

in the case in a one-newspaper town, many people nodded approval. Showing out his power, he turned his editorial cannons on some of the merchants themselves, particularly those who joined the forces of evil by not advertising in his paper. He published lists of merchants to boycott. Sometimes he slipped up, accepting an advertisement from a dealer and blacklisting him. The paper, though spiced with colorful and unpredictable analyses of the awful state of civilization everywhere, began to sink fast and, after an unsuccessful appeal to readers for funds, it finally went under.

Egan went back to the Joliet *Spectator*, then enrolled for state unemployment compensation during what the *Spectator's* publisher, Bill McCabe, has described as a "leave of absence." Memorized by his publishing failure, Egan desperately needed a place to go, a place where he could show 'em, where the crooks and wrong-doers couldn't touch him, nor stop him from making the world spin the right way—his way. With these thoughts he drove out of Joliet late one Saturday afternoon. "Suddenly I began to wonder. What can I do as a mayor that they wouldn't let me do as a publisher?" The following Monday was deadline for filing in the Aurora primary. He hopped his car and called city hall. It was five minutes after 4. He instructed the clerk there to prepare petitions. By 5, he'd pick them up, he promised. On one of the rare occasions in his life, he was on time. Next day, heajoined a few friends into collecting some names. The law requires only 5, but he had no trouble picking up 100, mostly of voters he'd never met.

THE "OLD CROWD" IN AURORA politics has been around a long time. Voters are bored with it. Some are even suspicious. Rumors keep circulating of a Dun & Bradstreet evaluation of 150,000 of one city commissioner. "How," ask the sponsors of these rumors, "do you save that kind of money on a \$5,000 salary?"

Egan's face was a new one; in fact, a nearly invisible one since he made hardly a single personal appearance during the campaign. For two special campaign editions, he exhumed the *Economist* to condemn the vested interests and to demonstrate that things were coming to a head. That was pretty much Egan's campaign. But bored voters styled their own image of a sleeves-rolled-up champion of the downtrodden. His depressed economic circumstances, a wife and four kids to support, these contributed a poetic setting for the image. Although he didn't know it, the less he talked, the more potent a candidate Paul Egan

became. The incumbent mayor, the late Lloyd C. Markel, didn't bother with any pre-primary campaign at all. He was astonished to read the morning after primary day that he was out, and that a run-off would pose John Van Ham, former city treasurer and a shoe merchant, against unemployed Paul Egan. Van Ham, himself, was one of the "old faces." That fact contributed further to building the myths swirling around the unemployed newcomer who had suddenly become the talk of the town. When election came, Paul Egan won by 2,811 votes. His face was printed on the first pages of Chicago papers three columns wide. The novelty of a jobless father becoming an \$8,000-a-year mayor seemed utterly American wherever it was printed—and it was printed almost everywhere. At home, on election night, even Egan felt the mantle of the statesman settling upon him as he told the multitude: "I am asking that by-gones be by-gones and that everyone work together toward a common purpose of making Aurora a better town."

Much of Egan's support had come from working people who responded to the candidate's volleys, fired like flack at the high and mighty. Egan has been compared to Huey Long for his success in appealing to the poor with sharp-tongued but toothless attacks upon the rich. The parallel hardly applies, since Egan's thrusts do not appear to be part of a grand-scale scheme to confuse and conquer. They are simply the spasms of an angry advertising salesman who always has felt ground down by a set of rules for behavior he never made. Advertising is bought (or not bought) by the rich, so his assaults upon the non-advertising "they" have had an appeal to many have-nots, honestly looking for a spokesman of their own kind.

At the AFL hall on Main street, working men at the bar and at card tables in the basement club room laugh about Egan, but he is admired as a scrapper, "and this town needs some of that." There is a willingness, too, to excuse and explain away some of the outlandish mayoral behavior:

"I can tell you why he swears so much. Because everybody down there is against him. It would make anybody swear."

"That time he came down on (Justice of the Peace) John Chivarri's head with a pair of shears, I tell you Chivarri had it coming to him, anyhow."

"He wants to do the right things. He just isn't very good at knowing how to get cooperation from the others."

Few of the men have seen Egan,

except in the street. Hardly any have heard him speak. Their knowledge of him is based on newspaper items and conversation about a rambunctious fat man giving his all to fight the mighty, one who is ready to tell off everybody and anybody. The image is an exciting and pleasing one.

Egan's opponents say he hurt his cause (though his supporters remain unexcited) when he brought his troubles about life in America to Anastas Mikoyan, deputy premier of the U.S.S.R. Last February, Egan attended a civil defense conference for mayors in Washington. Egan kept taking the floor, according to one mayor, "with loud rambling speeches heaping abuse on everything and everybody." Another said he had "never witnessed such an incredible display." When some mayors started to leave, Egan shouted, "Anybody who walks out of this room is a nit-wit." The burden of his talk, though somewhat muffled by his own clamor, was the suggestion that all mayors and their wives ought to be flown to Russia so they could see for themselves what goes on there. Since the mayors were not moved to act on the idea, Egan wrote a long letter to Mikoyan. "I believe," it said, "that the bells of the free world should be tolled for the death of free speech here in the United States. In an open meeting called by the President of the United States to inform the mayors of communities of over 50,000 of the dangers lurking in the world today and to hold a free and open discussion. . . . I was shut up and the meeting adjourned." Amidst the general shock, Egan chuckled, "I sure gave them mayors an earful and got Aurora a bucket load of publicity."

The president of one of Aurora's three banks, who likes to chat with people who come in to cash their pay checks, thinks Egan may be hard to beat. He, too, observes that most people "never see the mayor when he is really in action."

Among the "old faces" there is growing apprehension of a possible hot scramble for the front office in city hall, thus splitting and decimating Egan's opposition.

Egan, still not much of a planner, shrugs: "I don't even know if I'll run again. Last time, I'll bet they spent \$100,000 to beat me. This time the — fools will spend five times as much, maybe even a million. What the hell? Why don't I just split the difference with them and retire?"

But in the mind of one city official and political veteran, there's no doubt about what Egan will do:

"Of course he'll run again. He has to. Where else could he get a job?" ■



*With WNBQ as the world's first fulltime
rainbow station, the city becomes the crucial
center of an entertainment revolution*

OUR STARRING ROLE IN COLOR TV

by Jack Mabley

The time and money spent by the electronics industry to perfect color television probably exceeds that which medical science has thrown against the common cold. The net result is that the common cold is still with us and color television has joined it. All that separates you from your first color TV set is desire and about \$100.

For nearly a decade the moderately informed citizen has known color television as something that CBS and RCA were fighting about in Federal court, something that doctors looked at with a colleague remove an appendix; and as a device which might protect his life sometime in the future, but which was no immediate threat to his pocketbook or peace of mind.

Suddenly it is 1956; the court fights it over; the engineers are finished; the electron beams all go through the right holes in the phosphor dot screen, and you can go into a department store and buy a color television set that works. Perhaps you have done so already. Most people who have are glad they did. Perhaps you have a friend who has asked you over to watch his color television, and you're

getting the itch to buy your own. Most likely you're one of the 2,000,000 owners of black and white sets in this area whose only reaction to color television is an irritation over the blur that sometimes envelops very old-fashioned black and white pictures during a spectacular.

RCA won the fight against CBS. Columbia in 1950 had government approval of a Rube Goldberg kind of color TV with a large concealed color wheel spinning in front of the picture tube. RCA perfected an electronic tube which eliminated the Ferris wheel in front of the set, went to the FCC with it, and on Dec. 17, 1953, won government approval of its system. The next two years were spent working the flaws out of the system, setting up mass production lines, building receiving sets and learning how to produce color shows.

RCA ESTIMATES IT has spent \$70,000,000 developing color television. The time has come when the stockholders want some of that money back. The engineers have done their job, and now color television has to be sold to the public. The Radio Corporation

of America is smart enough to know that color television can be meaningless if it is used to transmit poor shows. Color TV has to be sold with good programming.

RCA has turned to Chicago to do the job.

On April 15 station WNBQ, the local NBC outlet, became the world's first all-color station, televising each of its local live programs in color. This is more than just another first for the city. The whole RCA color TV development program will be geared to the acceptance of color television here.

When it catches fire in Chicago, RCA will convert other stations to full use of color and will be on its way to one of the century's major advancements in entertainment, communication and advertising.

Maybe it is paradoxical to speculate on color television being a success or a flop when the major network shows already are being televised in color, and color receivers are available and good. Who hasn't read of the rich greens and frosty blues and other glorious tones of *Peter Pan*, *Cyrano*, the Spectaculars, the operas, *Wide World of Sports*, the football games and



Versatility of TV color camera is shown in contrasting shots: above, the full spectrum caught in a scene from NBC's *Carmen*; below, the camera rides in to focus on a swirl of blues against a green background.



the World Series?

But there's one gray spot in the rosy picture. Not many people watch these shows on color sets. Even the jokes about going back to the saloons for TV haven't held up, because the saloons aren't buying. A black and white TV set may be a luxury to some and a necessity to others, but there is no question about a color set. It is a luxury.

RCA believes there is a mass market for luxury items. More than 6,000,000 passenger cars were sold in a year in the automobile industry at around \$3,000 per. Tens of thousands of radio-phonograph combinations sell in the \$600 to \$900 range. So why not color TV in the same range? "After a 15 per cent down payment," pleads a color TV brochure, "you're carrying charges on the \$795 RCA Victor color TV receiver, for a 24-month period, are only \$33.12—well within the range of the mass market."

There is a set on the market for \$695, and others up to \$1,000. Service policies run around \$100 for a year, and the installation charge is proportionately higher than for black and white sets.

David Sarnoff, chairman of the board of RCA and the man most responsible for the big push for color TV, thinks the price will come down to \$500 when mass production begins rolling. In February RCA opened a factory in the hills near Bloomington, Indiana, which has five assembly lines. Each line can turn out one color TV set a minute. Most of the lines now are manufacturing black and white sets, but when the signal comes for conversion, they can produce nearly 750,000 color sets in a year. Robert A. Seidel, executive vice-president of RCA Consumer Products, said the company expects to sell more than 200,000 color receivers this year. That figure is incompatible with one offered by W. R. G. Baker, a vice-president of General Electric, who thinks the whole industry won't sell 150,000 color receivers in 1956.

RCA has handed WNBQ the assignment of priming the pump. The more people buy color television sets the cheaper they become to manufacture. One man buys a set, two of his neighbors see it and in turn purchase sets. Four of their friends discover Sullivan's rosy proboscis and convert to color; soon another assembly line at Bloomington follows suit.

In essence, WNBQ is charged with convincing a large number of viewers that it is worth putting off buying a new car for a year or two in order to find out the color of Clint Youle's tweed coat and whether K. Westfall's hair is really blonde. (V

to save somebody money. It isn't.) Chicago was selected for NBC's big push for several reasons. The station has plenty of space on the top of the Merchandise Mart, and it has engineers who know how to make for TV work. We have the second biggest market in the nation. Chicago produces more TV sets and radios than any other city. We know how to merchandise. Twice each year retailers and distributors from all over the nation travel to the Mart for the same furnishings show. They'll see television at its best and will carry the story back to their homes. But, most important of all, we have Chicago style television, and Jules Herbueaux. When black and white television began to develop commercially, Chicago was producing the best

shows in the country. Los Angeles was riding with Ina Ray Hutton and Spade Cooley. New York was taking pictures of radio and Milton Berle. Chicago didn't have enough money to buy big productions, so it substituted ingenuity and good taste. *Garroway-at-Large* was the showcase of Chicago style television, and it literally taught the rest of the industry that TV was not radio with a picture, nor vaudeville, nor Broadway, but a brand new, distinct form of communication and art.

Chicago style television was person-to-person. Kukla, Fran and Ollie were part of it. So were Studs Terkel's show and *Zoo Parade*, and so were Tom Duggan and Clint Youle and Dorsey Connors and Clifton Utley and some other people who combined to

make a bigger net profit for the local station than some entire networks were taking in.

A lot of talented people were involved in making this product, but the man who pulled it all together, who hired the talented people and turned them loose to work, who got their product into the coaxial cable, was Herbueaux, then the program director, and now the vice-president in charge of the whole works at NBC in Chicago.

Garroway-at-Large is long gone from Chicago, and the city today is unimportant in network originations. Any number of explanations were given when Garroway moved to New York, but the show's expiration was inevitable. New York runs the network, and it was embarrassing to New

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Outdoor effect is that much easier to create in full color.



The "color girl" is a new occupational category in television.



to have Chicago producing better with less money. Garroway was red, and the actual mechanics of lifting are of little importance. Herbeuveau still is here, he still singing and training talented men. Chicago style television still exists. The difference today is that it is seen in color in Chicago, which is logical enough.

IS WHAT IS HAPPENING on top of Merchandise Mart. NBC set aside \$10,000 to remodel the studios and lease color equipment. The main studios are on the 19th and 20th floors of the Mart, in the fortress that pyramide out of the top of the main structure. In the roof area adjacent to the studios the station has leased 100 feet to construct a building for production and service shops. It has access to an additional 25,000 square feet for expansion, and perhaps use as an outdoor color production

Inside the main building the station is tearing out and rebuilt walls and ceilings and pipes and wires and come with four color TV studios, five color TV camera chains, and two film camera chains.

The largest studio in the plant, Studio A, which used to originate Garroway's show, the Wayne King program and *Hawkins Falls*, was relocated and connected by a large corridor to a nearby former radio studio, creating one large TV production area over 5,000 square feet.

The status of radio is underlined in the treatment of the radio master control room, near this color area, which was booted out and replaced by the color control equipment to serve all color studios.

On the 20th floor, overlooking the other studios, NBC has built an exhibit hall in which color receivers will be available continually, even when the station is broadcasting network black-and-white programs. A floor-to-ceiling window will allow the public to watch action in the studios.

And this massive labor of RCA, the expenditure of tens of millions of dollars and years of work, is going to give birth to what? What will it mean to the viewer? What will it mean to the advertiser? What will it mean to the writer? What will it mean to the reader? What will it mean to the listener? What will it mean to the thinker? What will it mean to the doer? What will it mean to the seer? What will it mean to the sayer? What will it mean to the doer? What will it mean to the seer? What will it mean to the sayer?

A local newspaperman who used to write a daily television column pleased himself by inventing a cliché that when Berle's jokes would be just as funny in color as in monochrome. Perhaps it was to avoid just such a charge that NBC got as far away from the Berle school of thinking as possible by setting up its test run for color.

Burr Tillstrom's characters are even more charming and alive in color than in black and white, and a good many

viewers think the Kuklapolitans finally have settled where they belong, on nighttime TV after the kids are in bed and we can enjoy some good grown up entertainment. Satire is an adult form of art, and nothing in television is more devastating than Burr Tillstrom when he is using Kukla and Ollie to puncture a few balloons.

Chicago has John Nash Ott's time-lapse color pictures of flowers, which justify the adjective "spectacular" far more than some of the television extravaganzas which masquerade under that name. Ott's simple expositions on how to make a garden grow will take on new meaning with the use of color.

Herbeuveau can be counted upon to come up with fashion shows and programs built around fabrics and home decorating aimed at women during the daytime, which will have them drooling for color receivers.

Clint Youle, Dorsey Connors, Jack Angell and Norm Barry will be tinted. For Barry color will do little more than affirm he has excellent taste in clothes, but the other three will have a dozen gimmicks a night built around color. This could be the beginning of the end of black coat hangers.

Network programs also will be used to try to prove that life is but an empty shell without color television. NBC hopes to have at least one major network attraction in color every night starting next fall, and it will, of course, continue daily network color shows, because that is when salesmen demonstrate sets and service men install and adjust them. It is debatable whether this information contributes to the advancement of color television, but for what it's worth, Howdy Doody has been in color since last fall. Every day.

CBS is throwing in an increasing number of tinted shows, and when the third network, ABC, becomes convinced that enough people own color sets, the kids probably will get the entire Disney series all over again, from the beginning, but this time in Glorious Color.

The television industry believes that price has not been the only factor holding back the sale of color receivers. There were not enough programs to create a demand, and as long as there were few sets there was no point in spending huge sums on programs. The networks obviously are doing their part to break that impasse. They're providing the programs, and the manufacturers are ready to turn out sets as fast as they are ordered.

Most local families will soon be faced with a decision whether they should invest in a color receiver. The argument against is fairly obvious. If a family operates on a budget, putting

out \$700 or more for a luxury item demands some pretty luxurious return. If the family is flush, it may have gotten that way by not spending \$700 for a product that could cost \$500 a year later.

What do you get for the money? As furniture the receivers look like most black and white sets. The screen is 21-inches, the most popular size for black and white. It no longer takes a trained technician to operate a receiver. There are only two additional controls on the RCA set—one adjusting the color intensity, the other adjusting for true or desired color shades. The color set is considerably more complicated inside than the black and white, so service is more expensive, and so is installation. However, the old antennas may be used for color receivers.

CHICAGO COLOR SET OWNERS generally report good reception and little more need for service than they had, or have, with black and white.

The color picture sells itself. The difference is more dramatic than that between a black and white and a colored motion picture, for reasons not easy to describe. Color definitely adds dimension to a television picture. The warmth and beauty it brings are more subtle than is the case with movie color systems.

Optimists in the industry think that color television will catch on and sell the way black and white did half a dozen years ago as mass production brought prices down from \$395 for a 10-inch picture to \$200 for a 21-inch set.

The optimists have been off base so far. The same people who see 400,000 color receivers being sold in the United States in 1956 were predicting that 300,000 would be sold in 1955. The actual sales in 1955 were about one-tenth the prediction, and resulted in the tremendous promotional drive now beginning here.

In the simplest terms, the color picture makes people want color receivers, and the price of the receivers keeps them satisfied with the old black and white ones. WNBQ's task is to convince them that the product is worth the premium price.

Good programs are RCA's sales clincher. Herbeuveau's engineers and electricians and carpenters and plumbers have finished their chores, and the time has arrived for the artists to get to work.

Color television in the home eventually will be as common as black and white TV is today. Whether this will happen in a year or five or in a decade will be determined largely by how Chicago reacts to WNBQ's programs. ■



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Don't Call Her Nancy O

A Highland Park girl who just wants to be herself may also be the next great woman tennis player.



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by Ed Smason

husky sergeant, lecturing a class in the use of radar, tries to look above the strains of a practicing school band.

long-limbed, brown-haired girl turns a smashing tennis serve, and onlookers nod their heads in approval. The girl's pony tail is tied with a red ribbon, her white blouse open at the neck. Her non-committal expression gives no hint that she may become the youngest national women's tennis champion since the recently retired Maureen Connolly.

The sergeant is lecturing members of the 202nd anti-aircraft artillery band, which shares the Broadway armory with the high school band and tennis players, including Nancy

O'Connell, the girl with the pony tail.

Only 15 years old and a sophomore at Highland Park high school, Nancy has astounded tennis followers here and on the East Coast with her victories over older rivals. At a tournament last December in Brookline, Massachusetts, she won both singles and doubles championships in her own age group—the 15-and-under division—and in the juniors—for girls up to 18. That was the first time anybody had won four titles at the club in Brookline, but it was repetitious for Nancy, who had done the same thing at Knollwood in Lake Forest the year before. The scioness of a formidable local tennis family has also won adult championships, though not, as yet, against

major competition.

The likelihood that she will do so one day is considered strong by no less an authority than Mrs. Hazel Wightman, donor of the Wightman cup, which, since 1923, has symbolized the rivalry of American and British women players. Mrs. Wightman has said, "At comparable stages of development, Nancy's game is as far advanced as Maureen Connolly's was a year before Maureen won the national women's championship."

The Broadway armory courts are managed by Nancy's father, George, a slim, gray-haired prototype of the genial Irishman. He won several Illinois championships and once teamed with George Lott to beat Bill Tilden

and Neil Sullivan of Philadelphia for the national intercity doubles title. ("And that's when Bill was good; he was mad, too.") Later he ran a ping-pong parlor in the Loop. Now he presides at the armory during the cooler months of the year and at the Exmoor country club in Highland Park during the summer.

Mrs. O'Connell once ranked sixth among local women tennis players and twelfth in the country in table tennis. The young star's older sister, Jean, 19, was promising at Nancy's age, but abandoned efforts to become a leading player because it was just too much work. George O'Connell follows the philosophy that determination and unrelenting practice separate the great players from the good ones, and his pupils have to knock themselves out or else.

Nancy plays under her father's experienced eye four days a week after school and on week ends. When she isn't playing she likes to sit around near the courts exchanging badinage with other racquetters, especially her 14-year-old brother, George jr., and Mike Gordon, a Senn high student who George O'Connell sees as a threat in this year's state scholastic tournament.

Shy and reticent with strangers, Nancy kids tirelessly with her family and close friends. More than anything else, she likes to be herself. After warming up enough to talk to reporters, she doesn't hesitate to tell them she has a low opinion of their inquisitive profession. And she adamantly refuses photographers' requests to assume a false smile or take a pose that wouldn't be normal in tennis.

Tony Trabert, the professional tennis star, kissed Nancy once when she was eight years old. She didn't speak to him until she was ten.

Nancy stands between five foot five and five foot six ("It comes out different every time I'm measured"), and is of medium build, a little heavier in the seat and legs than in the arms and shoulders. She has a rather long face that is pretty—not cute—in repose and slightly comic when she laughs. Her eyebrows are long and level, her skin smooth, pink and free from adolescent blemishes.

She walks with something of a teenage lope, but gets around the tennis court fast and gracefully as if she had springs in her shoes. She swings a racquet powerfully and with flawless form, looking determinedly at her opponent as she follows through. When she hits one into the net, she murmurs, "Nuts."

She began playing at the age of 9, entered her first tournament at 11 and lost in the first round. Her emergence as a star in her age group was gradual, and she had arrived before many people noticed that she was about to. "Nancy always had nice looking strokes," her father says. "And by working hard she's brought her game along steadily. Speed doesn't bother her; there isn't a girl in the country that can hit through her. They might pass her, but they won't hit through her. She has an excellent forehand volley and a good backhand. Her service and her overhead shot need more development."

Nancy endorses her father's estimate of her stronger and weaker points, and if she is occasionally impatient with his persistent coaching, she neverthe-



George O'Connell

Don Bronstein photo

less asks her practice partners for shots that will enable her to perfect the overhead smash.

Nancy is a pretty good student at Highland Park high school. "Three B's and a C," she says with a shrug. "And look what I did in grammar school—97." She is also the school ping-pong champion, a distinction she first won as a freshman. She rejects the theory that playing tennis on table can adversely affect the stroke used to play it on the ground. "If you play right, they're the same thing."

She also likes basketball, but plays volleyball against her will: "I hate it." She also hates the nickname, "Nancy O," which has been bestowed by sports writers in search of short headlines and chums inspired by "Little Mo," Miss Connolly's sobriquet. She doesn't like any names except Nancy, she says, then, lowering her voice, "I don't even like that very well."

Nancy is likely to sit on a desk, dangling her legs and smacking her hands together in patty-cake fashion as she discusses her post-Highland Park plans. "I'll be a physical education major unless I decide to major in math. I love math." Tennis has been called a game of angles, but Nancy likes it and geometry separately; they never connect the two.

"I haven't the faintest idea where I'll go to college," she says. "But it'll be somewhere south or west where it's warm and you can play tennis outside all year around."

Nancy's talent for repartee with the other youngsters around the armory is unlimited in quantity if not quality. "All Mike's good for is making remarks on tennis balls," she'll say if young Gordon does that in order to distinguish the ones that belong to the

Practicing in dark Bermuda shorts, Nancy seems to be flying through the air as she makes an overhead smash. Some of her opponents may testify that she does.

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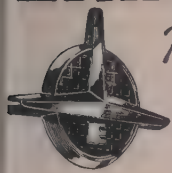
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courts from those brought in by customers. Or, "You know you're flat-footed, Mike." Or, "Mike dates eighth-graders; don't you, Mike?" Or, as they go out to practice, "I don't have any shorts to wear, but that's all right; I won't have to run against you."

This half-joking, half-serious confidence pervades much of Nancy's conversation about her game. "They're all afraid of me in the East," she declared shortly before leaving for her first national women's tournament in Boston. Her father riposted in the same vein, "Every time they give a meet with nobody in it, she can win. She needs to be taken down a peg. That's why we're sending her to the nationals."

Nancy got to the third round in the singles at that tournament, to the quarter-finals of the doubles and to the semi-finals of the mixed doubles. She was vocally remorseful about her loss in the singles.

"She should have beaten that girl," said George O'Connell. "She has better strokes, but she lost to experience. The other girl has been ranked among the first ten adult players in the country. But Nancy got some experience of her own; that's what she went there for."

Perhaps the most accurate estimate of Nancy's prospects has been made by Grant Golden, a former national clay courts doubles champion and a candidate for this year's Davis cup team, who often practices with her at the armory. Says Golden, "There are so many good tennis players today, so many that it's hard to say what will happen to a player like Nancy this year, next, or the one after. Actually, it's all up to her. Let's call it desire. If she really wants to be great, to be another Maureen Connolly, she must have that desire now and when the going gets tough. Also, she must win the close matches. If she loses the close ones she may lose confidence and the desire to be another Little Mo. It's all up to her."

While Nancy is determining her own future, under his guidance, George O'Connell has another comer in the person of the eldest of his three sons.

"Georgie was badly burned in an accident when he was eight years old," he says. "He still has a little trouble with one foot, and I've never tried to push him into going in for tennis. But he started hanging around here, and pretty soon he was starting to develop. He's irritated by the fact that he can't play as well as Nancy can yet. He can't take kidding as well as she can. But he's got terrific power and he's a lanky kid. One of these days, before very long, he's going to be a real threat."



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The east side of Clark street looking south from Madison. The humble shops with residences in the rear offended Corkran's sensibilities. He dismissed them as being typical of the West.



State street bridge represented the kind of primitive engineering and architecture that depressed Corkran during his short but eventful term of service with the society.

try to save the Proclamation would be too late for my escape, I next made for the basement door, stamped fire out of two bundles and canted back the trunk to escape. The strong suffocation from smoking bundles outside of basement door prevented. I then tore open the third bundle (smoking), snatched from it a shawl, covered my head and sprang out with [as] much speed as possible, leaving the door little open. I could not shut it.

At a glance I could see the steps overhead, the sidewalk, front fence, Mr. Girard cottage and every building south in one mass of blaze & firebrands flying furiously. My only escape was to the rear of Mr. Girard cottage in a midst of dense smoke. Not a moment to feel for the gate. With a bound upon a box or something next to the fence I sprang over the low picket fence into Dearborn street. At this moment a blaze, probably from Mr. Girard building, struck me with force. I felt it to my skin. I dropt my burnt shawl and ran to the corner of Erie St., following me in the middle Dearborn St. a bellowing cow with scorched back. Again another terrible blast of wind forced the poor cow out of sight in dark smoke to the east.

As I came to the corner of Dearborn and Erie street from the Society building, a woman was running directly east into the fire. I understood a woman was found burnt near there. At this moment a great blast of wind and smoke, seemingly a blaze of about 200 to 300 feet in length, perhaps 150 feet in height, passed nearly over me little to the right making N. E. diagonally, pouring the entire volume over two entire blocks into the top of the spire of the Church of Holy Name, situated east side of State street between Huron and Superior Sts. In an instant the top was in a blaze. There were moments I could see buildings appear to melt down from three to five minutes. Such sights I never saw before.

Had I known the speed and heat of the coming fire, I could have left my post at the basement door earlier and secured the records and Proclamation. The unprecedented calamity was beyond all of my experience. Another fact worth noticing. While I was on the high stone steps on Erie St., I saw the entire west side of the Society building in one great sheet of blaze burning apparently every brick. There was no woodwork on that side of the building.

In regard to others sheltered in the Chi. Hist. Soc. fireproof building supposed perished. If there, they would have been seen by me, unless they were hidden in the lecture room and in the wash room. It is fair to presume

I was the last person [who] left the Chicago Historical building.

Fires have affected the history of the Chicago Historical society even more than they have influenced the city it serves. What little property it had left after the disaster in 1874 was stored in an office building at the south end of the Loop, only to be almost completely consumed in another blaze that razed 800 buildings in 1874. But three years later the society was making plans for a new home in Dearborn and Ontario, and trying to collect back dues to finance it. The difficulties involved in attempting to make such collections are described in the new secretary and librarian, Albert D. Hager. A violent railroad strike had made business men apprehensive about contributing, or, perhaps, given them a convenient excuse for failing to do so.

On the 4th of August, I started out to make the collection. First called on Williams & Thompson's office to get their assessments. Norman Williams was east—would not be back in September. Thompson not in office would be in a day or two. Called on Isham & Lincoln's. Both gone east. Will be back Sept. 1st. Called at Sanford E. Loring's office. Was out of office, getting ready to go east. Monday next. Called on Genl. Stockton. Was too much cramped for money to pay anything now but taxes and necessities of life. Thinks well of the Society—glad it is being started and only regrets that he is not able now to do something for it. The Riots had had the effect to stop dividends on R.R. stock.

W. W. Chandler, the newly initiated member, said he was very badly off—rioters having destroyed property of the Line in which he had a large interest to such an amount that instead of dividends there might be assessments on the stockholders. He said his line—the Red Star Line—had lost 105 locomotives and cars enough if placed in line on the road with locomotives attached, to make 18 miles length of cars & engines that had been destroyed by the rioters. . . .

Edward Goodman was out of town—would be back next Thursday. Sends the *Standard* regularly.

Perry Smith says he paid \$50 toward the building that was burnt and he thinks that should constitute him a Life Member—and therefore declined paying any assessment. . . .

J. V. Le Moyne says he has not money to spare now, but may have by & by. Likes the Society and will furnish more Cong. Docs. for the Library.

H. G. Miller out of town.

ographs are by Walter W. Krutz of the Historical society, except: Gabby Hartnett by Chicago Daily News, Sally Rand by Chicago Press, 1954 fire by Chicago Tribune.

Gabby Hartnett is mobbed after he hit "the home run in the dark" at Wrigley field that led to the Cubs' 1938 pennant. The equipment he used in the game was saved in the Historical society. Center: Healy's painting, *Honora Snelyd*, was saved from the fire that devastated the society's property for the second time in three years in 1874, but it was destroyed in the blaze 80 years later. Right: One of the special exhibits installed for the society's current centennial celebration—costumes of a hundred years ago.



T. Atwater not in office.
S. Critchell gave check for \$25.
yman Blair thinks he cannot spare money—had rather lose all he has than pay any more.
W. Jones says he don't belong to Society & never did. . . .

dedication of the new building in 1874 was, in one respect, strikingly similar to the ceremony that had preceded its predecessor nine years before. Isaac Arnold, now president of the society, speaks.

. . . If Chicago, already so eminent in many things, aspires to become also a literary centre, and to irradiate the valley of which she is the commercial representative, she must foster liberal aid and generous appreciation of her literary institutions; more, must encourage and honor men of letters, and science.

mer merchant princes must learn while it is something to build an harbor, to make a harbor, to open a canal, to construct a railroad, it is also something equally honorable, at least, to found a library, to establish a college, a university, or a school of learning.

Chicago must not follow Carthage, Venice, or Liverpool, or Amsterdam, alone, as models; let her learn, from Alexandria, Athens, and Rome.

the minutes of a society meeting in which it announces its receipt of a macabre relic.

Maj. Joseph Kirkland has enriched our department of local historical relics in the presentation of the supposed skeleton of John Lalime, which forms the subject of his paper tonight. Major Kirkland was introduced by the president, and entertained a delighted audience with a clear and ample statement of all known circumstances connected with the killing of John Lalime, "the little Frenchman," by John Kinzie, the first American resident of Chicago, in a personal encounter.

At the close of the meeting, Fernando Jones made some interesting remarks on the question of identification, confirming the conclusion that the skeleton presented to the society was that of John Lalime.

After the adjournment, some time was passed inspecting the supposed remains, and in pleasant conversation by the many old settlers and visitors present upon topics relating to early Chicago history. . . .*

In 1903, Fernando Jones, who had lived here since 1833, entertained the society at a special meeting attended by 400 members and guests. He spoke on "The Indians of the Vicinity of Chicago and Anecdotes of Early Settlers," wearing a costume presented to him by his Indian admirers more than 60 years earlier. The hardy pioneer was fond of writing verse, and his papers in the Historical society

include several manuscripts in that medium, among which is this ribald relic:

We left the parlor early
I think 'twas scarcely nine
And by a happy fortune
Her room was next to mine.
Resolved like old Columbus
New regions to explore,
I took a snug position
By the key-hole in the door.

The maiden then disrobing
Revealed her pretty breasts;
Two round snowy hillocks,
All crimsoned at the crest;
And as she gently stroked them
I softly cried, "Encore,"
But oh! she could not hear me
Through the key-hole in the door.

She next unloosed her tresses,
Of wavy chestnut hair,
Which fell in streaming torrents
Adown her shoulders fair.
Then quickly she rebound them
More firmly than before:
I watched the pretty process
Through the key-hole in the door.

Then down upon the carpet
She sat with graceful ease,
And raised her spotless linen,
Above her snowy knees.
A dainty sky-blue garter
On either leg she wore,
Oh! 'twas a glowing picture
Through the key-hole in the door.

*For the full story of Lalime and his bones, see the September, 1956, issue of CHICAGO.

Now she the fire approaches,
 Her little feet to warm,
 And nothing but a chemise
 Concealed her lovely form.
 Thinks I, take off your chemise,
 I'll ask for nothing more,
 And faith, I saw her do it,
 Through the key-hole in the door.

And next with nimble fingers
 She dons her snow-white gown
 And on her bed fair Jennie
 Prepared to lay her down.
 Upon a downy pillow
 She gently lays her head,
 The light was then extinguished
 And darkness veiled the bed.

Ye dreaming men of science
 Who strain your eager eyes
 In gazing at the planets
 That deck the distant skies,
 Nature has greater wonders
 Than are dreamed of in your lore,
 And a telescope is nothing
 To a key-hole in the door.

In 1938, the society proved that its concept of history was not a narrow one. How it did so is described by International News Service.

The mighty Casey who struck out may have to play second fiddle for posterity to the mighty Gabby who hit a home run.

The mighty Gabby, none other than Charles Leo Hartnett, the fellow who piloted Chicago's own Cubs to the 1938 National league baseball championship, hit his home run in the ninth inning of the Pittsburgh-Chicago game here on September 28.

The home run won the game for the Cubs and was the blow that more than any other single accomplishment clinched the title for Chicago.

Yesterday it was revealed the paraphernalia Gabby used in the game—his catching glove, mask, chest protector and shinguards, as well as the home run bat—have been given, upon request, to the Chicago Historical society.

These exalted objects will soon go on display in the society's museum, there to remind generations as yet unborn that Mudville's mighty Casey was a shoemaker compared to Chicago's mighty Gabby.

While it is pleasant to contemplate the reverence and awe with which the fans of the year 2038 may stand and gaze at these sacred relics of our own backward age, the thought comes that a glove, a bat, a chest protector, will not adequately tell the story of that historic moment on a September day in 1938, when 34,465 leading citizens of the time shouted themselves sick

with excitement at the mighty Gabby's momentous feat.

We hope the museum will select one of the leading authors of our day to chronicle in stirring, complete terms, the story of that wonderous home run.

Remember? It had been a long game. The lead had changed hands several times. Finally, the ninth inning. The score was 5-5. The Cubs were at bat. As the sun fell behind the grandstand and darkness crept over the field, the Chicagos were making their last stand. They were half a game behind the first-place Pirates, but victory would boost them into the lead.

Up stepped Cub Number One—out! Cub Number Two—out! The officials looked over the dimming field. As Hartnett stepped up to bat it was generally agreed that the game would be called when the mighty Gabby made the third out. A tie game would hearten Pittsburgh, squelch the Cubs.

The mighty Gabby looked at the first pitch. Strike! Pitch number two—strike! The Cub cause seemed lost. Pitch number three—wham!

The mighty Gabby had hit a home run. The Cubs were in first place! Gabby, though he didn't know it, was in a museum.

Five years later the society proved that its concept of history was not that broad. The accounts are from various newspapers.

The plumes which fanned Sally Rand to prosperity will be preserved for posterity.

The same world-famous fans known from the halls of Montezuma to the shores of Tripoli as the symbol of the thin difference between one lady's art and another's, will be turned over to the Chicago Historical society.

The idea was Sally's, it was announced yesterday. She thought, she said, the society would be interested in keeping a memento of the Century of Progress exposition, held in Chicago in 1933 and 1934. L. H. Shattuck, the scholarly, bespectacled director of the society, explained:

"The fans made history. They represented one phase of American life, and help to round out the picture for the ages."

Shattuck, somewhat awed, ventured the information that the shirt off the ostrich's back would be presented to the society Tuesday by the dancer herself. He felt the preservation of the fans represented a new trend in historical collection. He added:

"It means we're trying to get a broader view. Things we overlooked in the past are now becoming recognized as having a place in the histo-

rical picture of the world."

Those who remembered the fan agree with Shattuck that the fans were overlooked, but definitely.

Sally Rand, the little girl with the big fans, charged today that the Chicago Historical society has played "shabby trick" on her.

Originally, Sally had a date to journey to the society's headquarters in North and Clark this afternoon with fitting ceremonies present to the Society the pair of ostrich fans that a lot of folks credit with pulling Chicago's Century of Progress out of the red in 1933.

But Sally won't be keeping the date.

Headed by President Joseph M. Cudahy, the society's board of trustees met yesterday. At its conclusion the board issued this statement for the press:

"The board feels that the fans used by Miss Sally Rand at A Century of Progress are not relative to the World Columbian exposition material now on exhibition and does not believe they have sufficient historical interest to warrant their acceptance by the museum."

These bleak words were a far cry from the jubilant press release issued by the society Saturday announcing that Sally and her fans would be welcomed with open arms (something Sally never dared on the lake front) and that Sally's ostrich protectors would be given a permanent place of record in the archives of Chicago's lusty history.

Said Sally spiritedly: "This is a shabby trick to embarrass me. If I had sought publicity of this sort I would deserve to be knocked down. But I didn't start this. A representative of the society got in touch with me and suggested I contribute the fans. I agreed. Later I saw newspaper stories telling about the presentation. The society put those out. I didn't." * * *

The curator's office of the Historical society begs to differ with Miss Rand as to who originally thought the fans should be relegated to covering baseball spots in museum showcases. A pre-agent called the society, the office reported, and volunteered the fans. At first, the office said, the idea seemed sound, but the trustees thought otherwise—it was simply fanatical, they decided.

Sally, who admits to 39 years but looks 30, even without makeup, tossed a blond wisp of hair behind her ear and looked dreamily out the window.

"I wonder," she meditated, "what that outfit would have done if Evelyn had offered them her fig leaf?"

Gimp Gets the Bird

*took a year of sewing tobacco
s into bedspreads for his fel-
cons, before the lonely chicken
f was able to purchase a pet
ary.*

story by Paul Warren

back in the days when penologists
were more honest and used the
“punishment,” inmates of the
his prisons had many advantages
their present day brothers-in-
e, who are locked up in order
they be “rehabilitated.”

any sections of the enormous
s inside the walls of Stateville,
state’s model “rehabilitation cen-
were taken over by these oldsters
their private use. On these plots
round prisoners were allowed to
vegetables and flowers. They
crude shacks of old refuse lum-
and empty crates and spent a
deal of their time raising rab-
or breeding canaries. Some of
more fortunate “stir farmers”
their produce to other inmates
hadn’t enough time in to rate
s and who wanted to supplement
meager diets or add to their cells
ures other than jail birds for com-

everyone liked this idea, even the
ds, whose salaries weren’t too
t. They enjoyed fried rabbit and
too.

mates used to look forward to the
oning or paroling or even dying
ese old timers, so that their own
ces of getting farms would be
red.

ith money they made the farmers
d outfit their shacks with porta-
adios, hot plates on which to cook
ucculent stews, improvised cots on
h to dream of the gradually for-
n outside world.

great deal of gambling and other
dden activity went on behind
walls of these shacks. However,

they served to keep the men more sat-
isfied and less prone to blow their
collective tops in riot, so the guards
often preferred to ignore these viola-
tions.

Some of the farmer-trader-gamblers
were so successful that they were able
to ignore the inmate dining room com-
pletely and were only seen by their
keepers in late afternoon when they
were locked in their cells or early
morning when they were let out.
“Politicians,” they were called.

Unfortunately, when I first entered
Pontiac in 1934, this system had been
done away with. However, as time
dragged slowly by I learned the ropes
and maneuvered myself into an easy
job in the library, where I spent much
time drinking coffee stolen from the
kitchen and listening to stories of old
timers as they dreamed of the dear

dead days beyond recall.

They lived in dread, waiting for
another new rule that would rob them
of one more privilege. No longer
could they deck their cell walls with
pictures of their favorite actresses in
bathing suits in frames they wove
with cellophane from cigaret pack-
ages. Homemade rugs of string and
rags came off the floors, leaving only
the cold grey concrete.

Easy chairs that some of them had
managed to get made in the furniture
factory were confiscated. Bed spreads
that had taken hours to make out of
empty tobacco sacks that had taken
months to gather were now contraband
and, because only one sheet was is-
sued to a man, they had nothing to
keep the coarse blankets from scratch-
ing their skin.

Garden plots and shacks and ani-

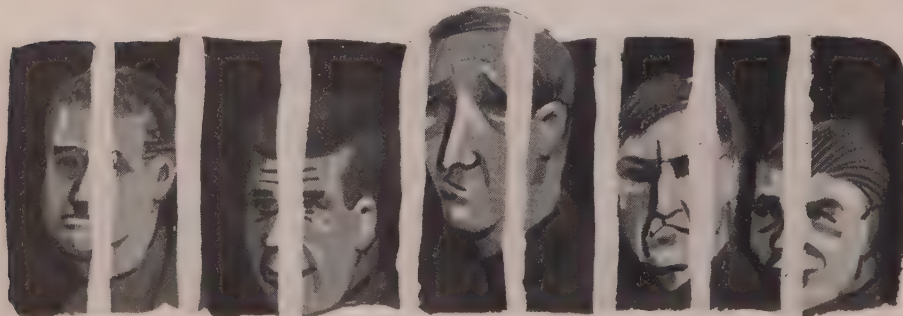


illustrated by Carl Schranz

mals and birds were only dim memories. In their place graveled yards appeared, neatly separated by wire fences to keep prisoners more and more segregated. In Stateville, where I was later a guest (the rehabilitative process somehow having failed to work), much of the grounds were turned into huge lawns and beds of beautiful flowers. Groups of clubwomen, fraternal organizations, the American Legion and so forth who visit these places regularly never fail to be awed by the beauty of Stateville. But to inmates, who think of these people as "rubberneck tourists" who would be better off going to the zoo, all this horticulture is nothing but a reminder of the hot nights of summer. So much water is needed to keep the foliage green and fresh that water pressure is lowered in the cellhouses and inmates, especially on the top tiers, get none to drink. These lawns are dotted with "keep off" signs, and cons stoutly keep any longings for a scamper on the greensward checked. They know that such a wild gambol would result in five days in solitary confinement with its bread and water diet.

However, stories of the good old days often served to keep the boys from blowing their stacks completely. Of course there were a few "hot heads" who foamed at the telling of them—men who for some strange reason still believed that man had dignity and should be shown respect even while being "rehabilitated."

One such man I will call "Gimp." His story happened before my time, so you will have to accept or reject my sixth- or seventh-hand account of it.



Gimp was a poor con. He had no friends outside to send him money for the luxuries of life, such as tobacco and toilet articles. Never in all his fifteen years in prison did he receive a letter. He was a lonely old man at 45, grey and bent and with a perpetual frown on his prison-white face.

He had been convicted of stealing some chickens from a neighbor's farm. He was arrested when he went to sell them at the town butcher shop. After he had served eight years or so of his one-to-life, he tried to make it over

the wall in broad daylight. He thought that if he calmly walked into the paint shop and picked up a long extension ladder like he had business with it, nobody would object. He did manage to get it over to the wall before some guard asked him what he was doing. The parole board reviewed his case, and Gimp was set back another ten years. So at the time of this story he was almost resigned to a life inside.

At that time there was a lively market in canaries. Prize warblers sold as high as five bucks cash, a hard-to-smuggle-in commodity, or six and a half in commissary supplies, the rate being about a buck and a quarter in tobacco for a buck in cash.

Gimp had neither, so he went into business to raise the price of a canary. He took in laundry, sewed endless rows of tobacco sacks into yards and yards of bed spreads. A few sacks of the most popular smoke, Bull Durham, a week, and he'd wash your socks and underwear. And, since his spreads were well made and of double thickness, he'd get as high as thirty sacks for one. He learned to go without his Sunday pork chop, for which he could get two or three sacks, depending on how hungry the other con was.

Every once in a while there was one of those periodic shakedowns that catch everyone unprepared by failure of the grapevine, and Gimp's hoard was reduced to the legal ten sacks allowed each man. Then he'd have to start all over again.

However, he did manage, in a year, to save the necessary amount for a bird he had long been drooling over. He had never heard it sing, but then it was only 80 sacks of Durham. It was

a grass cage for Mildred, as he decided to call her. When he got to cell that afternoon, a lot of cons were waiting. They stood outside looking through the bars as he put the bird into the cage. Would it sing? They waited to find out.

One bird-fancier claimed that Gimp had bought the wrong kind of seed, that only a type that had marijuana in it would make a canary sing and loud. Another argued that it was pure bunk, that he had bought that particular brand of seed and he crunched it up and smoked it, chewed it, even made a solution by cooking it, and had injected it into his vein. He hadn't gotten as high as a inch off the ground. Still another chimed in that in his opinion they were all wrong. He fed his Dickie mainline chuck. It was good enough for him to sing, it was good enough for the bird. There was something else said about the only singing this last con had ever done was in the courtroom.

But by then the bird they were watching began to behave very peculiarly. It seemed not to like the cage and was flying frantically about in a very un-canary-like manner. It emitted a strange squawky sound that was from the trill that had kept Gimp's dreams so happy while he was saving for it.

Everybody stepped back from the cell because they felt that the crowd might have frightened the bird. On the other side of the cell a man stood flatter against the bars, peering in and repeating in whispers the goings on in the cage inside the cage. Gimp sat on the very edge of his bunk looking on. Then the bird calmed down and began to peck at the seed. It ate quite a lot.

Gradually the cons outside gathered around in full view and watched the bird switch its attention to a cup of water. First it drank some, then decided on a bath. Gimp smiled broadly, not caring how much water was splashed on him. When the bird had finished and stepped back on its tiny perch, there was a sudden silence, punctuated only by a whisper, "damn!"

The beautiful color was changing as more and more water drenched its feathers. The bright yellow was going away to dull brown. Mildred was nothing but a dyed sparrow.

Gimp himself died soon after that, but, the story goes, he never took the bird back to the dealer who sold it to him. He got himself some water colors. Every time the bird bathed Gimp would carefully repaint it. And when more, he swore up and down that the bird sang to him every single night when no one else was near.

the most beautiful shade of yellow you've ever seen on a bird.

It was a great day for Gimp when he marched down to the shack of the bird dealer and dumped all that tobacco on his cot and took the bird off with him. He wasn't a very sociable guy, all agreed. But the struggle he had to buy that bird caused a lot of cons to be secretly pulling for him. There were many smiles as Gimp walked through the yard with his bird held tightly against his chest.

Gimp had also saved enough to buy

Oriental Fantasy



ung of Siam, the comboy of Ceylon and the sarong of Java.

Hindus, Mohammedans, Sikhs and Parsis are distinguished by the cut and arrangement of their dress, while the residents of the south of India have a penchant for more brilliant colors than do those of the north.

Cottons and silks, remarkable for fineness of texture, with characteristic patterns woven, embroidered, printed or tie-dyed, are used by all. In the colorful embroideries metal thread plays an important role, while tiny pieces of looking glass are ingeniously embroidered into many of the designs, giving an interesting sparkle and sharp highlights.

We do not adopt costumes from our

drawings and notes by Tina Proctor

My abode is not the Taj Mahal, but when I slip into my oversize terry robe, relaxed from my tub, and lazily stroll into the living room, collapse in front of my do-it-yourself mosaic tile coffee table, and have a spot of tea, I can very easily dream myself into an oriental princess. This is no age regression, but the effect of the oriental trend, in home decor, these past few years. Now I'm equally gone on fashions adapted from oriental motifs.

In contrast to the more intricate, tailored and sophisticated dress of the past few years, we are taking seriously this season the simple, natural and draped costumes found in India and other points East.

From India come sari and dhoti and such—the pan-





Pure linen embroidered play clothes. Extra separates include both straight sheath skirt and full one. These are available in soft beige, black or navy.

White embroidery on oriental colored linen makes an elegant coat and is worn over a pencil slim sheath.

oriental sisters only, but take a few notes from the male species.

Characteristic of the typical Hindu masculine costume are the long strips of cloth that are draped about the hips and waist as a loin cloth, about the head as a turban. The Bikini bathing suit may originally have been taken from the first garment mentioned, the dhoti, of white cotton,



Ali Pasha jacket, jewels on white background and outlined in gold. This is a must for that important evening.
A Ceil Chapman original.

which is wound around the loins, the end passed backwards between the legs and tucked in at the waist, like the panung of the Siamese.

The most important article of attire for the Hindu woman is the sari. A bright scarf measuring a trifle over a yard in width and about six yards in length, wound around the waist to form a full, long skirt, then brought up over the left shoulder. The free end is carried over the head and allowed to fall over the right shoulder and side.

The sari, usually the product of the hand loom of the household, is made of fine cotton, silk or a mixture of the two fibres. Across one end and along both sides is woven a narrow border in gold threads, the other end, the one exposed to view on the right shoulder, having a rather wider border.

Pure silk sheath dress. Brilliantly colored floral designed pattern, delicately outlined in gold on a white background.
This outfit is complete with a sari stole.



When the sari is not drawn over the head a sheer veil, orhna, covers it. Hats are entirely foreign to the native Hindu woman's costume.

Here again we do not hesitate to lift a fashion or two from the male. We wouldn't feel completely dressed without a hat. The draped hat lifted from the turban may be a pointed number from Siam and, of course there's the adaptation of the coolie hat.

In an Pageantry Kashmiri Cottons: The sun
 whipper's favorite, with an oriental flavor,
 dignating special interest in the use of
 order design, camisole top sun-dress with
 ghtly full skirt. For the beach, Rajah beach
 ct, closed with frogs and slitted hem.
 Fashion for things oriental extends right to
 the water's edge. The bathing sheath is
 closed with frogs at one side and also slit
 at the hem. The Indian prints are predomi-
 nantly earthy red.



uses her fabulous skill
 the sari (upper right)
 particular taste. What
 more intriguing than
 separates — cashmere
 and sari skirt, purest
 luxuriously embroidered
 d threads. The sweater
 d from the finest cash-
 applied with the
 tif, the same as in the
 ne skirt is flirtatiously
 ending with a heavy
 order. Each sari dress by
 has a different motif,
 ore exciting than this
 blue and gold dinner
 A cloud-like sheer silk
 ver a sari silk with a
 border detail, at the
 and again at the hem.



Tina Leser displays her own
 distinctive touch in choosing
 chrysanthemum tapestried dam-
 ask cotton for this charming
 lounge costume. Flat rounded
 shoulder with special attention
 to the piping cord on the long
 slim Chinese coat; this, too, has
 slits at the side and is worn
 over a beautiful cover-up, end-
 ing with tapered trousered legs.

This Oriental fashion trend is so strong and important that the head of one boulevard specialty shop travelled to the Far East with the famous shoe designing team, Herbert and Beth Levine.

Beth Levine designs and Herbert sees to it that her design and color suggestions are followed through at the factory.

Beth was the first with the backless slipper, as well as the beautifully tapered Jordan heel.

As a result of their trip through the Orient, this spring and summer, our feet will look handsome, coming and going, with the most concentration on the heel. Most of the interest is in the use of multicolors plus jewels, with the accent on true oriental colors—parakeet greens, Ming blues and royal oranges with pink.

Imagine using finely woven bamboo, and, believe it or not, real egg shell inlaid, like fine mother of pearl. This is done by artists in Japan, the egg shell secured to the heel. A high luster is added by polishing.

Don't be surprised to see gold cloth for daytime wear.

Although the accent was on footwear, the Levines brought back many treasures that will appeal to feminine hearts. Some of the articles, such as a silk sari heavily laden with gold, will be available for those who would like a dress fashioned from the original.



Collapsible bamboo handbag, lined with colorful silk scarves.



There are also bags made of bamboo from Japan and cloth bags from the Shan people in India. Incidentally, the cloth bags have different designs, each representing a family clan, reminiscent of the Scotch Highlanders, but entirely oriental in execution of design.

This oriental fashion influence is so appealing that it will last as long as the Ming dynasty did or:

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which means that oriental fashions are here to stay. ■

For further information on these fashions, call: service department, Michigan 2-6570.

Insull & I

A La Salle street lawyer tells how an infallible stock market system made his bank account rise as the great utilities combine fell.

by Edgar Bernhard

International News photo



Samuel Insull

In the years immediately following 1929, Samuel Insull and I made a lot of money. We made it in the stock market—in Insull Utilities, Corporation Securities, Commonwealth Edison—and several other stocks in which Insull and I had interests.

I should explain that he didn't know about me at all. Nevertheless, I knew about him. And I feel justified in link-

ing our names together, since we were interested in the same securities at the same time.

There were, of course, several differences between us, such as that he was undoubtedly operating with larger sums of money than I. But a more important difference was that in all my plunges in Insull stocks over a period of two or three years, I never lost a dollar—and I am sure Insull must eventually have lost several. This perhaps explains why he fled to Greece and I stayed here.

It all began in 1929, within a couple of weeks after the October market break. Walking along La Salle street about ten o'clock one morning, I noted with some surprise that beyond a glass door marked "Insull Securities Company," a flourishing business seemed to be going on. I entered, merely out of curiosity, and looked around. A comely young woman explained in response to my question as to what was going on, that the people at the counter were buying stock in some of the Insull companies, and that they

Bus Station photo



Edgar Bernhard

came here instead of going to their brokers because here they could buy without paying any commission.

"At what price?" I asked.

"At last night's close."

I thought that rather odd, since stock is hardly ever sold on such a supermarket basis, and certainly not at a price which no longer prevails on the open market. I learned later that

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Insull was offering stock in this unique manner in order to encourage the broadest possible distribution of shares. He felt that this would be good public relations in general and, more specifically, would discourage public complaints about utility rates.

After glancing once more at the busy office, I left. It was only on the way back to my own office that what I had learned began to cause me to speculate—though not in the market as yet.

There followed, in the next day or two, a series of telephone conversations between me and the Insull Securities office which finally culminated in my putting in an order for two hundred shares of one of the Insull stocks. That order was followed during the succeeding months and years by a long succession of similar buying orders. I bought Insull Utilities, Peoples' Gas, Commonwealth Edison and Corporation Securities in blocks of fifty to three hundred shares at a clip—and kept on buying all through that post-1929 period when all those stocks were slowly sinking.

Yet I kept on making profits. If only Insull, that financier among financiers, could have come off so well as I did, he could have saved that trip to Greece!

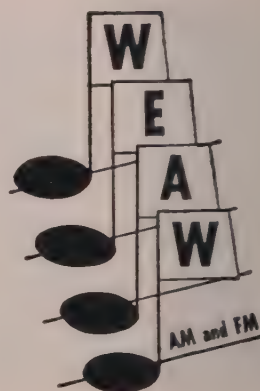
I had discovered that I could put in a tentative order over the telephone, early any morning, for one or another of the Insull stocks (and sometimes there was a choice among three or four) at the closing quotation of the day before—and that I did not have to pick up the stock or pay any money down or even sign the order or bind myself in any way, until eleven a.m. or later, sometimes as late as noon.

I could call the Insull office at about nine o'clock, give my name and address, and explain that I might want to buy a hundred shares of, perhaps, Corporation Securities, at yesterday's close, and that they should put me down for it, but I was not sure yet that I could get the money together.

I gave my order to the same young woman each time, and she came to know that although it often happened that I phoned her later to cancel the order—it also happened very frequently that I would come walking in later in the morning to close the purchase. Closing the purchase meant actually signing an order and paying the full purchase price, without commission. About two weeks later a stock certificate would be mailed to me.

As you are probably already aware—but as Insull was not—I never completed one of these purchases without first having sold an equivalent amount of the same stock on the open market, through my broker, at a higher price. If the stock did not go up that morning

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rely cancelled my purchase, instead of completing it. If the stock went up as much as a point (provided this happened early enough so that I could still complete my purchase through the Insull office) I promptly sold it—through my broker—the moment I had his confirmation of the sale, I would go scooting into the Insull office, sign up for my stock that day for it.

If I carried this game along, other opportunities grew out of it. On several occasions, after I had sold the stock (through my broker) I noticed the market was falling and I then checked the quotations and put in a buy order (also through my broker) within an hour or two of my sale, thus making my profit without putting out my money at all. While that selling and buying transaction was being completed, I still had what amounted to an option on the stock by way of my earlier phone call to the Insull office. When my short sale had been made and safely covered by my purchase, I would then call the Insull office and tell her I was not going to do that day.

One memorable day, I remember, I bought Commonwealth Edison early in the morning, and bought it in again at even points cheaper about two hours later, without having to complete my purchase at the Insull office.

Only one thing stood in the way of my becoming a millionaire—insufficient capital. On every purchase I committed—except on those occasions when I sold and then bought in again through my broker—I had to leave my money tied up for about two weeks, until my certificate came through. Very then could I deliver it to my broker and get from him the proceeds of my sale, because those proceeds were always withheld by him until I covered my sale by delivery of the certificate. This meant that after I had carried through several deals I ran out of capital and I had to stay out of the market until a certificate would come through.

I was already borrowing on the only substantial collateral I had, and I therefore proceeded to approach my friends—one at a time—suggesting that they let me put their money into my stock deals and divide the net proceeds with me. Not a single acquaintance to whom I outlined my plan was willing to join me. Even careful examination by them of the little book in which I had kept track of every transaction and which showed profit after profit and never a loss, only resulted in their saying, skeptically, "It's too good. There's something wrong with it. You'll get stung some day."

Some of those who were not interested explained to me that they were

not taking any chances, but were buying Insull stocks outright.

Of all the people I approached, the only person who was willing to put money into my plan on a half-and-half basis was a woman who had long had a strange, unquestioning faith in me—my mother. Together we continued to make money in these stocks until the Insull empire collapsed—including the most important part of it to me, the Insull Securities company.

There were two sequels to my market adventures. About six months after the Insull debacle I saw coming toward me along La Salle street the young woman who had sold me most of my stock. As she was about to pass me, I stopped her and greeted her.

"Oh," she said. "I didn't think you'd talk to me."

"Why not?"

"All that stock you bought! You must have lost your shirt."

"As a matter of fact," I said, "I came out all right."

"Oh," she sighed with relief. "I wish I had known that long ago. I've often thought about all those purchases of yours, and I felt terrible about the whole thing."

A few weeks later, I picked up some securities at the cashier's window at my broker's. "Look," he said, "maybe I shouldn't say anything about it but here in the cage we were awfully curious about the way you kept selling Insull stock all the time it was sliding down. We figured it would go back up and you'd get caught. But it never did. You had inside information, huh? Or were you just lucky?"

"Just lucky," I said.

And I certainly was. ■

THE LITTLE SWAMP

Here where all ways are insect,
Noon, when all business seems
Flight after flight, when weft
Is mostly like glassy dreams,
We watch a small wing flying,
We see a small leg trying,
We feel a small back prying
A world asleep in streams.

Right here, which moss of blossom,
Or eyed elbow of vine
Centers the thing? What grape-brooch
Along the tendril tine
Can rule the wizard rushes,
Make camouflages luscious,
Call the dives out of brushes
To make the ripples shine?

Guiding their glass in planes,
Insects of one flight fly.
Summer. Their lap makes veil;
Gauze floats, one wing of dye.
Fingers of things, new fated
Go meet or go unmated,
Fall where an egg was freighted
Without a sign or sigh.

Some sunken grin, some tears
That seem to be of trees
Make minutes into years.
Slow things go at their ease.
What claws construct the hours,
What colors of the flowers
Seem like small things, what powers
Try to seem not to seize!

—Reuel Denney



As Seen by Marcel Marceau

BIP à CHICAGO

The type *triste* in the drawing above is a poetic French clown, who with French logic has a flower growing out of his flower-pot hat. He is "Bip," one of the masterpieces of Marcel Marceau, the pantomimist who had the same success in this city last March that he has had all over the world. When not on stage, Bip (it appears from the drawings on this page) wandered about the city feeling lost among the tall buildings and dreaming about what it would be like to return to Paris by balloon (upper right) and take his barefoot ease among buildings of a reasonable height.

These drawings were made by M. Marceau at the close of his stay here and given to Don Anderson, the designer, whose "In & Out of the House" is a frequent department of this magazine. Judging by that reproduced above, one of the oddities Bip saw here was a swordfish sailing through the sky.



No Gourmands Need Apply

by Sam S. King

The city's most exclusive dining group has two rules which are scrupulously honored on all occasions, one which is only breached in the presence of its president—or Sir Bacchus George R. Anderson. He is one of the brothers who have presided over the Wine and Food Society of Chicago from its beginning, and he insists that 60 members abide by the rules against smoking and drinking water at the monthly feasts.

Anderson is a tall, white-haired, 74-year-old bachelor who converses as he smokes, with a relaxed Edwardian elegance, and enjoys defending the society's rules to non-members:

"Smoking kills the taste follicles so you can't enjoy food and wine. You're throwing your money away if you eat good food or drink good wine after smoking a cigar or cigarette. And we don't allow water on the table during the meals because I don't think food should be washed down with water. You drink wine—not water. In Europe one never drinks water with a meal. Only here."

The local group is modelled after the London Wine and Food society, which was started by a famous gourmet and wine-expert named Andre Bon.

The Chicago society's leading spirit when it was founded, in 1935, was the late Arnold Shurcliff, who had been the owner of the Wrigley building restaurant and whose scholarly enthusiasm for food caused him to lecture on the subject at Yale and to compile a 5,000 volume library on it. From the beginning Shurcliff had the literary support of B. Bernhard and George Anderson, sons of Swedish immigrants, who had risen to affluence as barristers before attaining eminence as bon vivants.

In no time at all, they made the club a fraternal hobby. B. Bernhard, a philologist of repute as well as a

lawyer, was Sir Bacchus until his death 10 years ago. His younger brother, who, though retired from practice, teaches a course in contracts at John Marshall Law school, has held the position ever since, and was recently voted life tenure in it by his fellows.

Membership is limited to men, but once a year women are invited to one of the monthly dinners. (This year's took place April 10 at the Chicago Yacht club.) The society, because of its small membership, has a long waiting list.

"But we don't have much of a turnover in membership. Only when a member dies do we have an opening for a new one. However, to keep our prospective members interested, we invite them to an occasional dinner," said Anderson.

The members have one thing in common. All are gourmets. They all are expert in selecting and enjoying good food and good wine. Anderson likes to explain the difference between a gourmet and a gourmand: "A gourmet is one who likes good food and wine—but not too much. The gourmand gorges himself. We have no fat men in the society."

The menus for the society's dinners are carefully prepared about two months in advance.

"Our members are business and professional men who get around a lot," says Anderson. "They attend many social functions and are in a position to eat well-prepared and interesting meals in exclusive dining places. Generally our menus are selected by our board of governors on the basis of the best meal they have been served during the month."

The society's dinners are consumed in a different restaurant or private club each month. At the end of the year, a plaque is presented to the place that purveyed the best meal.

"As you can well imagine, the restaurants are very anxious for that plaque," says Anderson.

After the eating place is selected, several members of the group, including Anderson, Col. Leon Mandel, the society's Cellarer, and Miller Adams, its Chief Cook, meet with officials of the restaurant or club to plan the menu. Colonel Mandel, as Cellarer, selects the wines—a different one for each course.

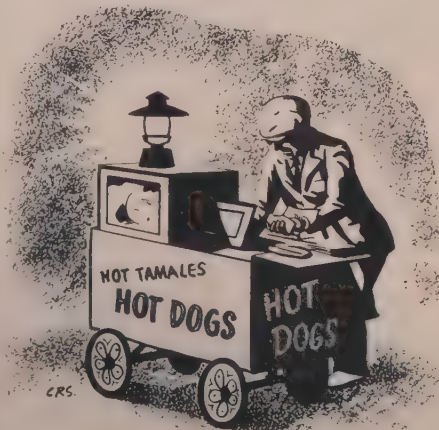
"And he should know," explains Anderson. "You know, he has 12,000 bottles in his own wine cellar. I once bet him that he couldn't name three different wines I had selected—they were a year apart. I lost that bet. He identified each one correctly."

The dinners are limited to only 40, including members and guests. "If we have more than 40, the chef can't really make a truly good meal. It becomes too big," Anderson points out.

The price of the dinners ranges from \$15 to \$20. Three-fourths of this amount is for the food and includes the tip and corkage (serving of wine). The other fourth is for the wine. "We buy our wine wholesale. The wine dealers vie with one another for our business. I suppose our patronage carries a lot of prestige," Anderson says.

"Some of our wealthier members call me the 'frugal soul.' That's because I try to keep the price of the dinner to a minimum. I try to remember that we have members who, although they are well off financially, really cannot afford to spend a large sum for a meal. So then our wealthy members may get up after one of our meals and try to explain the reason for what they consider the unpretentiousness of the wines or food by saying that the 'frugal soul' prevented them from having a more expensive menu or wines."

At the conclusion of each meal,



Colonel Mandel arises and tells the diners something about the wines they drank. Adams, the Chief Cook, discusses the menu.

A typical menu of the society was the one served at the February 14 dinner in the Chicago club:

The meal began with petite marmite, a French dish made of chicken and beef. It was considered the soup course. The fish course was stone crab, flown in from Florida especially for the dinner. Only the claws were served, with lemon and melted butter.

The salad was paper-thin sliced cucumbers.

The main course was braised baby lamb chops en casserole Parisien. With the chops were served an assortment of vegetables cut in the shape of marbles—about three quarters of an inch in diameter.

This was followed by a fresh artichoke vinaigrette served cold and whole in vinegar with a few minced pickles.

The dessert was black cherry tart aux Kirsch. And a demitasse.

IN ADDITION TO THE BAN ON smoking and water-drinking, the society has a rule that cocktails may not be served before the dinner. There are rumors that individuals have surreptitiously gotten around this by having a quick one or three at home, but nobody attempts to defy the rule in the presence of Sir Bacchus. Prior to the February meeting, however, he went further than he usually does to satisfy baser appetites. An aperitif called the "East India" was served—equal parts of sherry and French vermouth, as a sort of ersatz cocktail.

But the real enthusiasm of the members and their guests was reserved for the wines. The stone crab was accompanied by Ochfener Heppenstein Auslese, 1953, a Moselle from what had been the estate of the last kaiser. The 1953 was recommended as perhaps the finest of recent vintages by Paul Fromm, a local importer whose opinions are listened to with more than usual respect by connoisseurs.

It was followed by a more standard choice: the famous red Bordeaux known as "Haut Brion" (a name which is supposed to be a French approximation of O'Brien, an emigrant who went in the wrong direction and ended up as a vine grower instead of an alderman). Ernest Recher, another authority of serious repute, produced for this occasion a few remaining bottles of the 1948 bottling, one of the three best of recent years.

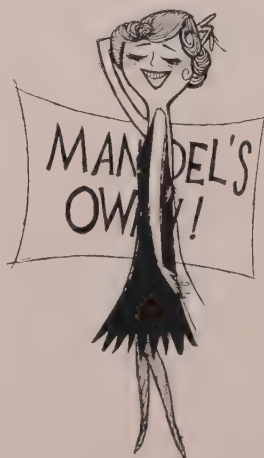
Being traditionalists, the diners finished their meal with a dry champagne. ■

As We Were



75 YEARS AGO. In May, 1881, a new ordinance went into effect providing that street cars must stop at the exact spot where any passenger wanted to get off . . . Another one prohibited future stringing of telephone and telegraph lines on poles and required all of those so strung to be put underground within two years . . . Jefferson Davis spent a day between trains walking around town while on a business trip to Montreal . . . The *Tribune* published a 16-page supplement containing the entire text of a recent revision of the New Testament . . . The Chicago Historical society dedicated a memorial tablet on the site of Fort Dearborn after "Long John" Wentworth had made an interminable speech on the history of the fort.

50 YEARS AGO. The *Tribune* started a new Sunday comic section featuring the translated work of German humorists in May, 1906 . . . Willie Hoppe, the boy wonder of billiards, set a world record by making 307 consecutive shots in a balkline match at Orchestra hall . . . Marshall Field and Co. began demolishing its old building at the northeast corner of State and Washington to make way for a new one. Foundations for the new structure had been installed before wrecking of the old one started in order to minimize curtailment of facilities during the improvement project . . . John A. Linn entered prison at Joliet after conviction on charges of padding payrolls while he was serving as clerk of the Circuit court.



25 YEARS AGO. War veterans who had been selling apples in the Loop were ordered to desist in May, 1931, lest they interfere with the All-Chicago Jubilee, a ten-day civic celebration sponsored by the Association of Commerce. Charlotte Gunkel, 217 north Kilbourn, was adjudged the city's most beautiful working girl and made queen of the festival. She was a model at Mandel Brothers . . . Dr. Albert A. Michelson, head of the physics department of the University of Chicago since 1892 and the first American to win the Nobel prize, died in California at the age of 78. His greatest scientific contribution had been measuring the speed of light . . . Walter A. Strong, publisher of the *Daily News*, died of a heart attack at 46.



Small Town Columnist On the North Side

A formidable mover and shaker publishes a new collection
of his community newspaper comments.

by Elmer Gertz

ITCH OF OPINION. By Leo A. Lerner. Introduction by Carl Sandburg. Americana House, 227 pp. \$3.75.

Almost every town in America with a newspaper (and there are a few of them every year) has a local, renowned columnist or editor who captures the spirit of the community. To outsiders, the man may be a hard, fit only for the edification of the town. But now and then the town of Emporia, Kansas, and the newspaper scribe resembles William Allen White; and then the local becomes the universal, and the world enjoys a new personality.

In Chicago we have our own William Allen White, of lesser height but under at the beam, like Alexander Holcott. He edits a chain of neighborhood newspapers, and his name—Leo A. Lerner—has an aura of familiarity. The city knows him as chairman of the board of trustees of Roosevelt University, as founder and first chairman of the Independent Voters of Illinois, cochairman of the first citizens committee to advocate the drafting of Al E. Stevenson for president, former chairman of the Citizens Schools Committee, and as generally a stirrer who pots in civic affairs. When Lerner moves and shakes, liberals gener-

ally move and shake with him; for his physical, intellectual and spiritual build is of the dimensions that cause tremors.

Not everyone knows him as a columnist outside the "towns" on the North and Northwest Sides where his papers circulate, but that lack should soon be made up if this collection of his best pieces receives the attention that it deserves.

For years Lerner has written twice a week what he styles "The First Column," and often it has taken up more than one column in his newspapers. For Lerner is the kind of writer and speaker and personality who spills out his substance in gleeful profusion. He will think in mid-air of a simile or a story, and it must be brought in, generally appropriately, but not always briefly. The similes and stories are wondrous in variety. They relate to food, drink, love, clothing and shelter, all the creature comforts that delight men who know how to smack their lips.

But his comments are not always loud or too often brash. For there is a subtlety in this man even when he is writing of the commonplace. He has an unfeigned love not only for men, women and children, in the mass and above all as individuals, but for ani-

mals and birds and bees as well, and trees and flowers, all that grows with the seasons or bends in the wind or is illuminated by sunshine or darkened by clouds.

When he loafs about on his Wisconsin farm, or wanders on the roads and highways or on city streets, in Chicago or abroad, he is on the prowl for new sights and sounds and smells. When they are not really new, he transmutes them verbally. Lerner reveals himself in everything that he writes, not because he is particularly vain or self-centered, but because he shares with Thoreau and Whitman and other genuine artist-personalities the belief that he is a part of every man and every man is a part of him. If he likes popcorn, then everyone must pop with him.

There are surprisingly few political columns in this book, although politics is the meat upon which Lerner daily feeds. Perhaps it is more accurate to say that Lerner finds politics in everything and diffuses and spiritualizes it where others make it too obvious, narrow and coarse. Lerner writes of the kind of politics that is not imbibed in the ward offices by hack precinct captains. He thinks of government as being everybody's business, and good business at that, and Amer-

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icanism as being the faith that accepts differences joyfully and without calumny.

He expresses these thoughts in phrases that can be understood by streetcar conductors, scavengers and pants pressers, as well as by lawyers, doctors and professors. His column is read by this wide range of people, and there is no reason why this book cannot have a similarly broad audience, despite the mental blocks sometimes imposed by good paper and hard covers. Pulp is for the masses, but not necessarily pap, as Lerner proves twice each week.

Carl Sandburg, who keeps a file of Lerner's columns, has written an enthusiastic introduction to the book. He sums up in words that should be saved for what one hopes is a far-distant epitaph: "An editor, a traveler, a naturalist, a lover of children and trees, at home with big city slickers or small-time do-gooders, both metropolitan and country boy, Leo Lerner seems to be one of those rich Americans whose chief possessions no turn of fate can take away."

Sandburg lists about a dozen of his own favorite Lerner columns, and they are worth referring to because they are representative of Lerner's best. He likes a piece called "Malice Toward None" in which Lerner deals with our living in two worlds, the one of nature's beauty and the other of man and nature's violence, and, somehow, finding peace; a pen portrait of a champion cow that stopped giving milk and then, just as she was about to be slaughtered, renewed her beneficent white stream; some cogitations about the obligations of the newspapers to give us 3-D interpretive news, while preserving us from the occupational smattering of ignorance; a prose psalm of thanksgiving for those who love neighborhood newspapers so much that they advertise in them; a fable about a congressman who had a bill passed to abolish all organizations having the word "international" in their names; an analysis of the 22 GIs in Korea who preferred Communism to God, home and country; a sensitive retelling of the story of the sky falling down; his young daughter Rosanne's interview of her dad on the subject of bombs, in which both escape from their fears into the world of dreams; a spirited defense of pigs; a song in praise of the magazine *Gourmet* ("Delicate Essen Between Covers").

I would like to see others besides Sandburg select the best columns from this book. Our William Allen White—Alexander Woollcott, unlike the latter, helps put out the fires while Rome burns. He sets souls aflame, but spares that which is perishable.

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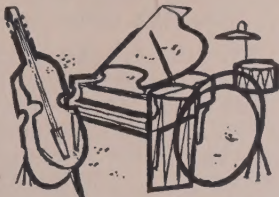
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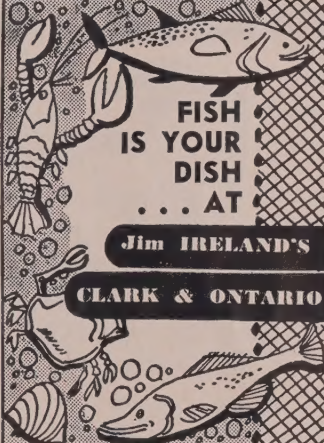
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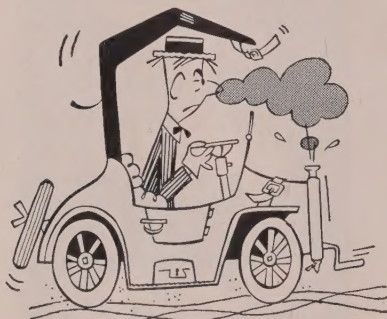
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Further Meditation On Fritz Reiner

Sir: Mr. Sablosky's fine article on Dr. Reiner's triumph [March] makes many good points and overlooks some others, including any mention of the generally high quality of recent Chicago symphony recordings. To say that the symphony is the very finest orchestra in the country is rather an overstatement; to say instead that it is now Victor's major recording orchestra would be quite true.



Sablosky

To mention one or two sections of the repertoire in which Dr. Reiner's touch is not quite as fine as we should like is simply to emphasize his success with the remainder. His Mozart tends to be too heavy handed, and in the case of the four symphonies recently recorded, uniformly too fast in regard to tempo. His Bach is contemporary in spirit and "instrumentation," rather than baroque. But his interpretations of the romantic and modern masters are superb; he is now the greatest exponent of Richard Strauss, to mention only one example.

In the light of his extensive experience as an operatic conductor, is it too much to hope for that we may some day witness some of his stage performances in Chicago?

P. L. FORSTALL,
Evanston

Lovely, Sexless Island

Sir: I was so amused at the "Love" and "Sex" listings in the Chicago telephone directory that appeared in your February issue [West of the Water Tower] that I looked up the same listings in the Manhattan directory. There is no Sex, but lots of Love in New York. The most interesting kinds are Blessed Mary, Faithful, Kindheart, Practical, Samaritan and Sincere.

CAROLINE GILMAN,
New York

Request Granted

Sir: In your excellent magazine, I have noticed that the name of this institution is usually abbreviated to "Natural History Museum."

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arrange to have our full name used in your magazine in future. I might hope that it will be used as much as possible.

CLIFFORD E. GILMAN
Director

Since CHICAGO is the only name we have, we treasure it perhaps more than the museum does, but will gladly share it henceforth.

Something You Don't Like About Trees?

Sir: Your coverage of Burton in the March issue was lousy. photos of the interiors, and your interior shots illustrated nothing, completely missed all the charm and creative architecture. Three out of four photos were a tribute to the You need a talented photographer above all an art director.

possibly an aspiring art director. We reserve the right to print signed letters and not to print unsigned ones.

Literate Legislator

Sir: If it is possible, I would like to have a copy of your March, 1956 cover without the printing across the center of the page. If you cannot me such a picture, I am going to have my magazine cover framed as a picture for my Washington office. It is always nice to put down for a moment official mail and look at your magazine, and feel right at home.

CHARLES A. BOYER
Congressman
12th district

Cultural Lag

Sir: Usually merely a reader of letters to the editor, I am now moving to become a writer of such letters. I protest against your lack of news about Chicago's theater and concert events.

Chicago has played host to several world-famous personalities from the concert, ballet and dramatic fields recently. Doesn't CHICAGO extend the people the courtesy of even a short review, or perhaps an interview?

I am sure Chicagoans at home and those in other parts of the state and globe would welcome not only butward glances on past months' events in the theaters and concert halls, but also a short write-up on forthcoming events of more than casual interest.

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The cover was designed by John Reiss, who lives in Milwaukee and works for magazines in Chicago and New York. The photographs of the racketeer and the camel driver are by Don Bronstein, that of the rabble rouser by International News Photos, and that of the redskin at the keyhole by the Chicago Historical society.

Marcel Marceau, whose self-portrait talents are revealed in this issue, has been the theatrical sensation of the year with his one-man pantomime show.

The photographs of *Grauman's Chinese on 79th Street* were made by Don Bronstein, who gets around.

Aurora's uproarious mayor is described by Bernard Asbell, one of CHICAGO's uproarious senior editors, and a folk singer of renown.

The subject of color television is illuminated by Jack Mabley, a valuable property of the *Daily News* who used to be its TV critic and now, as a uniquely temperate sports writer, plagues those arenas which lack sufficient drinking fountains.

Ed Smason, who tells about Nancy O'Connell, is a former *Sun-Times* sports writer now working as a press agent.

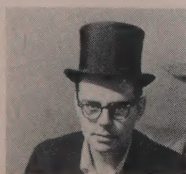
The ornithological adventures of convict Gimp are chronicled by Paul Warren who, under a different name, used to be a convict himself. His autobiography, *Next Time Is for Life*, relates his reform through the aid of psychoanalysis.

Paul Angle, whose history of the Chicago Historical society provided the material for our article on the same subject, is the director of that institution, and the author of a story, *The Dependent*, which appeared in CHICAGO last February.

Oriental Fantasy was created by Tina Proctor, who does not keep college students from cheating on exams but works in the fashion department of the *Tribune*.

If Edgar Bernhard ever decides to retire from pursuits like practicing law and outthinking financiers, he can make a living as a humorist. He is much in demand as a witty toastmaster for civic banquets.

Like Bernhard, Elmer Gertz, who reviews Leo Lerner's new book, is a lawyer active in many social causes.



Whitney

Alan Whitney, a senior editor of CHICAGO, wrote *The Onion Patch*, as is his custom. He also did the *Contributors* column and some other menial tasks.



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This is the season for the re-emergence of the most self-defeating advertising technique short of the old radio commercial that had that nasty brat whining for an endless stream of Salerno butter cookies.

About this time of every even-numbered year, cars break out in stickers urging the elevation of this or that precinct captain to elective office. It is hard to imagine a worse location for that kind of propaganda than on a vehicle which, in the normal course of events, will, justly or unjustly, offend scores of people every day of the campaign. If an Adamowski supporter fails to yield the right of way to a previously uncommitted pedestrian, chalk up one for Gutknecht. A Dirksen car wins a race for a parking space and Stengel benefits at the ballot box.

The only way for a driver to avoid torpedoing the candidate whose crest he carries is to proceed slowly and uncompetitively. And if he tries that in city traffic, he'll still be doing it when the polls close on election day.

AS A TYPE of the suburb swelling with refugees from the stresses of life within the city, Skokie affords a sociopolitical case study of the motives for this kind of migration and its essential futility.

The burghers there are distressed because certain tracts of land have been rezoned to permit construction of factories, motels, bowling alleys and other commercial facilities.

No attempt will be made here to judge whether the home owners are right or wrong in their objections to the particular rezoning moves that have taken place. But some of the comments made by the protestors would seem to indicate that a more basic issue is involved. One man "came to Skokie because I was trying to get away from industry." A group of parents opposed a motel because it would be "an undesirable influence on teen-agers." A recreation center was condemned because it might create "a drinking-dance hall nuisance."

The implication is that Skokie shouldn't have factories or dance halls

or places of public lodging, but the fact is that a middle class municipality of 40,000 bodies needs these things. They shouldn't be haphazardly strewn through residential districts, but they have to be located somewhere, and somebody will probably have to live near some of them.

One reason Skokie needs commercial and industrial enterprises is that it must have tax money in order to provide the public facilities commensurate with its arrival as a thriving community. Small home owners and apartment dwellers can't support their governments properly on their own taxes alone. That can only be done in places like Winnetka, where small numbers of people live in large homes with high tax valuations.

Even if Skokie could get by without industrial and commercial tax revenue, however, it would be neither moral nor sensible for the village to do so. Skokie is one of scores of elements in metropolitan Chicago, and in metropolitan Chicago or metropolitan anyplace else, the principle of local option offers permanent solutions to no problems. For years Evanstonians have been doing their drinking in Skokie. Now, apparently, Skokians are to do their bowling and manufacturing and motel trysting in Niles or Morton Grove or someplace, with these latter communities meanwhile attempting to unload some of their "nuisances" on Park Ridge and Glenview.

The central thesis here is that metropolitan Chicago has to have factories and stores and taverns along with its homes and parks—and that this requirement cannot be evaded by flight or by each community letting its neighbor worry about it.

Chicago is presently engaged in a complete revision of its zoning code directed toward a harmonious geographical arrangement of the varied land uses that necessarily constitute a modern urban community. The suburbs ought to do the same thing, and they should do it in cooperation with each other and with the city.

The only alternative is a mutual exchange of blighting influences re-

sulting, by 1980 or so, in a periphery of suburbs around Green Bay, Oshkosh and Centralia, separated from the heart of the city by hundreds of miles of abandoned slums.

A CITY COUNCILMAN in Gary has proposed that Lake county secede from Indiana and become part of Illinois. His proposal was prompted by the "slight" treatment allegedly accorded a Gary team in the state basketball tournament.

His complaint cannot but ring a bell in this city, whose basketball team has consistently been treated shabbily (and defeated) by their downstate rivals. But it ought to be carried further with the Chicago area seceding from Illinois to join the Gary district, forming a brand new state. Then both metropolitan communities would be spared paying the expenses of the hinterlanders and getting little in return.

This plan would not solve the man's immediate difficulty, however. It's an established fact that in basketball, even the urban kids are better than the Indiana type, and we can offer our eastern neighbors that direction is even shabbier treatment.

A KID GOT KICKED OUT of Proviso school a few weeks ago because he refused to part with a beard grown for the Forest Park centennial celebration. This capricious suspension has something to do with the factors at the heart of the juvenile delinquency problem—the refusal of adults to let post-adolescent teenagers be people.

The youth was exercising a prerogative that didn't infringe anybody else's rights, but he thereby denied entrance to a school. It would be equally just to refuse an adult the right to vote because he came into the polling booth without a necktie on. But there are only kids, and they're supposed to do what they're told, whether or not it makes sense. No wonder they occasionally feel like rebelling.

—Alan Watts